

It's Time for Graduation

Have people dress in caps and gowns (or even choir robes) to portray students, faculty, and the president of a college who are participating in a graduation ceremony. Students step forward to receive their diplomas. As the last one walks up, the following dialogue takes place.

President: I'm sorry, (*name of student*), although you have completed the coursework, you cannot graduate until your school bill is paid.

Student: (*stunned*) But, I received a scholarship. Remember? My schooling was supposed to be paid through scholarship money provided by Nazarenes around the world.

President: I understand; however, because of economic problems around the world, money is scarce. We haven't yet received this year's scholarship funding this year. When the school bill is paid, you will receive your diploma.

(*Messenger dashes to the platform.*)

Messenger: Wait! We just received word that the scholarship money has been wired to the school's account.

President: (*turns to congregation*) While this story is fictional, students around the world at the institutions of higher education rely on our prayers and giving toward scholarship through the NMI International Student Scholarship Fund. If you would like to learn more about this scholarship, please see our NMI president. More than anything pray for the students, faculties, and staffs of the Nazarene schools of higher education globally.



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