



## BROTHER ASAIAH AWARD

The Homer Chamber of Commerce is the administrator of the Brother Asaiah Scholarship Fund, awarding \$500 annually to a local graduating student. The Scholarship committee of the Homer Chamber of Commerce will be considering students recommended directly by teachers or counselors. Letters of recommendation must be submitted directly to the Chamber Scholarship Committee by Monday, August 3, 2009.

### **Considerations for awarding the scholarship will be based on the following:**

This Scholarship was developed in memory of Brother Asaiah and his spirit of giving. The award is meant to help a graduating student that has no other recourse for scholarships, and who is not necessarily considering post secondary education. The reason for this financial incentive is to be a motivating factor for students who have no hope of being awarded scholarships, yet have a special quality that may be encouraged by being given this special award. The students to consider are those in financial need and whose academic achievements are below par, but who you as a teacher believes will be motivated and encouraged to better themselves, with a helping hand such as this financial award.

Brother Asaiah was instrumental in helping students of the Flex School financially so that they had a better chance of success. He is considered the "Grandfather" of the Flex School by Annie Whitney, who was a driving force in getting the Flex school off the ground. Through his generosity students were able to purchase groceries, gas and other basic needs. His generosity did not depend on their academic achievements, only on the fact that they were there and needed a helping hand.

Thank you for your help in awarding this very special scholarship. Letters of recommendation can be mailed, faxed or dropped off in person at the Chamber at 201 Sterling Highway. For more information contact Tina Day at the Homer Chamber of Commerce at 235-7740 or by email at [tina@homer.alaska.org](mailto:tina@homer.alaska.org).

Sincerely,  
The Scholarship Committee:

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