Andrew G. Hanners was born in 1921, and at the age of 21 he began serving the Lord as a pastor. In 1954, Andrew answered a different kind of call to serve on the California Council on Alcohol Problems in Vallejo, California. Twelve years later he moved to Oregon to serve as executive director of the Oregon Council on Alcohol Problems. Andrew attended classes on alcoholism at Rutgers, Yale and Harvard and served as an ad hoc professor at several California and Oregon colleges. In 1966, he wrote a book entitled Alert Your Conscience used for Christian Service Training in Kansas City, Missouri.

His greatest thrill was to see lives changed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Many have written testimonials to the fact that had it not been for Andy Hanners, they would have died long ago. He was in high demand as a speaker at San Quentin prison in California. After he spoke to the prisoners being released, a very small percentage of them ever returned to prison life. He touched them with love, acceptance and truth.

Hanners returned to pastoring in 1982 at Tacoma First Church. He retired in 1997 due to his wife’s illness and was devoted to her until her death.

In January 7, 2002, Andy was diagnosed with “transitional cell bladder cancer” caused by second-hand smoke from the smoke-filled meetings when he shared the Gospel. In response to a question regarding the injustice of it all he replied, “I don’t regret a moment of those years. It was worth it all to see so many hundreds of lives changed.” He passed onto glory eleven months later in November 2002, still praising God for all of the opportunities to serve HIM. Andrew G. Hanners was truly a “Good Shepherd.”

**Criteria for the Award**

1. Recipients are to be students who are preparing for lives of service in ministry.

2. Recipients are to be students with a minimum GPA of 2.5 who meet the additional criteria of the Ministerial Scholarship Fund Program.

3. Financial need shall be a consideration in the awarding of this scholarship.

4. Nominations for this award are to be made through the School of Theology and Christian Ministries and the Office of Financial Aid.

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