F. Elizabeth Johnson was born in Wichita Falls, Texas, to H. H. and Blanche McBee. During her high school years the McBee family moved to Nampa, Idaho, where Elizabeth attended Nampa High School, graduated from College High School, and then attended Northwest Nazarene University. Elizabeth married Floyd G. Johnson in 1953, and as a team, Floyd completed medical school at Washington University and orthopedic surgery residency at the University of Utah. Following a tour in the USAF, the Johnsons lived in Boise, Idaho, involved with family, church, and practice of orthopedic surgery.

Elizabeth's family was always her number one priority, even though she was extensively involved outside of her home. Her activities included USAF Ladies Auxiliary, Assistance League of Boise, Wife's Medical Auxiliary, and Northwest Nazarene University Auxiliary. In her church work Elizabeth led as a Sunday school teacher, Caravan leader, ladies retreat leader, neighborhood children's Bible studies, and professional wives Bible studies.

Elizabeth had a great sense of humor, and was very talented in creating fine art, painting with oils and hand building pottery, as well as "junk art" with the children. She was a master of organization and had a heart of intuition and compassion with a generosity without limit. The heritage she built was always based on a godly foundation, sprinkled with her sense of play and adventure, extending out of her home embracing friends and people as family.

In keeping with her sense of compassion and caring for others, this scholarship is established to honor the life and legacy of F. Elizabeth Johnson.

Criteria for the Award

1. Recipients are to be students who meet general scholastic requirements and show potential for academic success and degree completion;
2. Recipients are to be nursing students, either undergraduate or post-baccalaureate, with enrollment status of half-time or above;
3. In the event that the Department of Nursing should cease to exist, recipients are to be students training for another serving profession such as children's ministry or elementary education;
4. Financial need shall be a consideration in the awarding of this scholarship;
5. Recipients may receive the award in successive years, not to exceed four years;
6. Nominations for this award are to be made by the Department of Nursing through the School of Health and Science and the Office of Financial Aid.

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