Dr. Floyd G. Johnson was born in South Dakota to J. Keller and Ruth M. Johnson. The family came to Nampa, Idaho to enable the children to attend Northwest Nazarene College (now University). During Dr. Johnson's attendance at NNU as a chemistry major, he participated in intercollegiate track and field and basketball. Married to Elizabeth while still a student, as a team they completed his studies at Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, and orthopedic surgery residency at the University of Utah Medical Center, Salt Lake City.

A tour in the USAF, orthopedic surgery, aerospace medicine, and hospital commander at Westover Regional Medical Center, Massachusetts, was followed by a move to Boise, Idaho, which became a permanent home. While developing a successful practice in orthopedic surgery, family and a godly home life were the Johnson's highest priority. They led Sunday school classes and participated in their church on committees and the church board.

Graduation did not end Dr. Johnson’s life with or commitment to Northwest Nazarene University. He served on the Board of Regents for 15 years, on the President’s Advisory Committee, and the Len B. Jordan Symposium. Dr. Johnson has been a member of the board and the executive board of the Crusader Athletic Association since its early years.

This scholarship is established to encourage and facilitate students majoring in the natural sciences to participate in intercollegiate athletics, in view that both activities are time consuming and challenging. It is also the hope that this will create the same generosity in the recipients – after their graduation, to remember Northwest Nazarene University.

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 students majoring in the natural sciences and participating in intercollegiate athletics;
3. Applications may be made by using the Departmental Scholarship Application;
4. Nominations for this award are to be made through the School of Health and Science to the Scholarship Committee.