L. Wesley and Naomi Johnson were born in Nebraska where they were married October 8, 1926. They both attended Anderson College in Anderson, Indiana.

The Johnsons had three children: Wesley Jr., Wayne, and Patricia, all of whom attended Northwest Nazarene College.

L. Wesley, an ordained minister in the Church of the Nazarene, was a pastor for 11 years before coming to NNC. He served Northwest Nazarene College over a period of 30 years, beginning in 1945. From 1947 to 1962 he was the college Business Manager; from 1962 to 1969 he served as Vice President for Development. He returned from retirement in 1974 and served an additional six years as Financial Consultant and Director of Development in Deferred Giving and Estate Planning. He served in other assignments including Financial Secretary of Colorado Woman's College; Director of Development and Information for the Oregon-Southern Idaho Division of the Salvation Army; and President of The Educational Fund Raiser’s Institute. At the 1964 General Assembly of the Church of the Nazarene, he received a Certificate of Merit for service rendered to Christian Higher Education. He was awarded the Doctor of Laws degree by Northwest Nazarene College where he also received lifetime "Vice President Emeritus" honors.

Dr. Johnson was engaged as a lecturer by many Chambers of Commerce in the Northwest to conduct seminars on Finance, Public Relations and Salesmanship. On several occasions he gave a series of business lectures for the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce. He was an honorary member of Phi Kappa Delta (National Speech Society). For 12 consecutive years he was listed in "WHO'S WHO IN THE WEST". As an author, he wrote two books on Public Relations and Selling and in addition, manuals of Information for Fund-Raisers and numerous articles for religious and business periodicals. L. Wesley passed away June 24, 1991.

Naomi, while always a source of strength and support for Wesley, dedicated herself to the needs of students on NNC’s campus. For 23 years she directed the development and operation of the campus bookstore.

**Criteria for awarding of scholarship**

1. Awards are to be made to students who have financial need and who demonstrate potential academic success.
2. Preference shall be given to students who are preparing for full-time Christian service.
3. Nominations are to be made by the Division of Philosophy and Religion for approval by the Scholarship Committee.
4. Students must be full-time, have a minimum 2.0 GPA, and meet other general scholarship requirements.

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