Dr. Joseph H. Mayfield graduated from Pasadena College, received an M.A. from the University of Southern California, and did further graduate work at Columbia University, Union Theological Seminary, and Claremont Graduate School. Throughout Dr. Mayfield’s years, he served both Church and College: Associate and Interim Pastor, Dean of Students at Pasadena College and Northwest Nazarene College, Vice President and Acting President at NNC, distinguished Professor of Philosophy and Greek, and life-long student of the Gospel of John.

Although Dr. Mayfield enjoyed traveling, cultivating roses, and serving in the Rotary Club, his dearest devotion was to his family. His wife, Hazel, was his inspiration and constant companion since their marriage in 1933. They devoted their lives to teaching; Joseph in the classroom and Hazel in the home.

Joann Hazel Mayfield, their only daughter, married Richard Sutherland. They were both public school teachers. This scholarship is a memorial to Joann who passed away when she was 33. The Mayfields had four grandchildren. Dr. Mayfield passed away on November 25, 1991; Mrs. Mayfield lives in Nampa.

Beginning at Pasadena College in 1940 and Northwest Nazarene College in 1960, Joseph and Hazel ministered to thousands of students. In addition to those years of service, they provided this scholarship for junior and/or senior students who are planning on continuing their preparation for the ministry in seminary and/or who are pursuing a pre-seminary pastoral ministry program.

Criteria for the Award

1. Recipient must be enrolled in and satisfactorily pursuing a pre-seminary pastoral ministry program leading to ministry in the Church of the Nazarene.

2. A minimum 3.0 GPA is required.

3. Nominations for the scholarship are to be made by the faculty of the Division of Philosophy and Religion to the Financial Aid Office and are to be approved by the Scholarship Committee.