The Duane & Terri Slemmer Scholarship

Duane Slemmer was born and raised in Olympia, Washington, and graduated from Northwest Nazarene College (now Northwest Nazarene University) in 1984 with a degree in Religious Education. Following graduation, Duane served as the Youth Pastor at the McMinnville, Oregon, Church of the Nazarene. In 1986, Duane returned to NNC as the Assistant Director of the Educational Media Center.

Terri Perkins was born in Brighton, Colorado, and was raised in Paonia, Colorado. She attended Bethany Nazarene College, Colorado State University, and graduated from Mesa State College in Grand Junction, Colorado, in 1987 with a degree in Business Administration.

Duane and Terri first met in 1984 while Duane was singing with the Couriers, an NNC summer travel group. The group sang a concert at Terri's home church in Paonia, which led to a three-and-a-half year long-distance courtship. Terri moved to Nampa following her college graduation, and Duane and Terri were married in August 1988. In 1989, Duane and Terri accepted a call to go back to the McMinnville, Oregon, Church of the Nazarene, where Duane served six years as the Youth Pastor. In 1995, they returned to NNC/NNU where Duane has filled the roles of Assistant Director and Director of Media Services, and currently serves as the Associate Director of Information Technology.

The Slemmers have six children: Tiffany, Daniel, Torie, David, Devin, and Terin. In addition to raising their six children, Terri is the owner of TS Embroidery Services, which she operates out of their home. She is also actively involved in children's ministry at College Church of the Nazarene, serving as the Childcare Coordinator.

Duane and Terri were both blessed with a strong Christian heritage and wish to celebrate that heritage through the awarding of this scholarship.

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 full-time students who have a minimum 2.5 GPA.
3. Financial need shall be a consideration in the awarding of this scholarship.
4. Preference shall be given students from the Washington Pacific or Colorado District Church of the Nazarene.
5. Recipients may receive the award in successive years, not to exceed four years.
6. Nominations for this award are to be made through the Office of Financial Aid.

Northwest Nazarene University admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.