Philander Martin King was born in a log cabin in western Minnesota in 1880. Adell Florence Grim was born in Cando, North Dakota in 1886. She and Phil met and were married in Westhope, North Dakota where Phil homesteaded and farmed.

Although Phil had a keen mind, he had to work in the fields as a youth and was denied the education he desired. Nevertheless, he became a successful farmer and was determined to encourage and assist his children in getting a good education. Lloyd, the eldest, graduated from Jamestown College. He then served in North Dakota as a teacher and school administrator. After receiving his doctorate, he taught at North Dakota State University in Grand Forks. Later he moved to Stockton, California where he became department head in education at the University of the Pacific. Earl, the second child, attended Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky after graduating from Monmouth College in Illinois. He served Baptist churches in Illinois. Ellen, the third child, also graduated from Jamestown College and was employed in government agencies and private industry. Lynn, the youngest, earned a B.D. degree from Evangelical Theological Seminary and served churches in Indiana, Minnesota and Iowa. A fifth child, born between Ellen and Lynn, died in infancy.

After retiring and moving to the West Coast in the early 1940s, Phil and Adell became active in the Church of the Nazarene. Because of their appreciation for Christian education, they chose to provide long-term financial support for Northwest Nazarene College, making provision to share oil income and mineral rights with the College while they lived and after their death. Phil died in 1968 and Adell in 1979.

**Criteria for awarding of scholarship**

1. Applicants must have a demonstrated record of personal initiative and must reflect Christian commitment in their ideals and living.

2. Funds are provided to assist students who are experiencing financial hardship and may be facing the possibility of withdrawing from college.

3. Nominations may be submitted by the faculty, or any interested party, to the Director of Financial Aid for approval by the Scholarship Committee.

4. General requirements for full-time student status and a 2.5 minimum GPA apply.