

## Memorial Roll Presentation Example

We often receive requests for ideas on how to present Memorial Roll certificates, and we sometimes wonder how much of an explanation of the Missionary Health Care ministry is given to churches.

Since very little information about the person honored is placed on the Memorial Roll certificate, it is easy to forget how much more can be done when making a presentation.

Last June, we received the following from retired missionary Tom Riley. We believe this message is a stellar example of honoring the deceased and explaining the ministry without detracting from either one.

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It is an honor for the King's Men Missionary Chapter of Nashville First Church to add the name of **Rev. Lewis Whetstone** to Nazarene Missions International's Memorial Roll. Even after he retired from faithfully pastoring, he continued to be involved in the work of our Lord Jesus. He attended the **King's Men Missionary Chapter** when his health allowed.

The **Memorial Roll and the Distinguished Service Award** are part of NMI's Missionary Health Care. Funds for this ministry provide health coverage for active and retired Nazarene missionaries and their children. As we all know, health costs can be very high even for one person who is seriously injured or is ill. Try to imagine the cost if you had to fly to another country for treatment or were ill or injured while traveling internationally.

The Church of the Nazarene provides excellent health care for the missionaries, and the World Evangelism Fund must subsidize what does not come in through Missionary Health Care. People from around the world help provide health care for our missionaries. If you would care to honor someone, forms are available on the missions table near the elevator in the lower Missionary Mall. A certificate will be sent to you for you to present to the honoree.

Through this certificate, we remind ourselves, as well as our children and grandchildren, that we hold God's faithful followers like Rev. Lewis Whetstone in high esteem. At the same time, we are caring for our missionaries, allowing them to serve without worrying about the high cost of health care.

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Thank you, Rev. Riley and the King's Men Missionary Chapter, for honoring your colleague through a Memorial Roll for Missionary Health Care.

