

William Rolfe Receives Second Mile Award at LC2021

After 41 years of service to the church of the Nazarene as a children's ministry writer, editor, and specialist, William "Bill" Rolfe will be retiring on December 31, 2021. At LC2021, he was taken by surprise when he received a Second Mile Award for his years of ministry in and through SDMI and The Foundry Publishing (formerly NPH).

Bill's accomplishments are especially noteworthy. He served as a full-time editor for the Church of the Nazarene since September of 1980. For 26 of those years, he served at Nazarene Headquarters. In October of 2006, he was transferred to Nazarene Publishing House, where he currently serves on the Foundry Publishing editorial team. During most years of his ministry in children's curriculum, he has also served part-time as a children's pastor at a number of local churches.

Bill writes, "It has been my honor to serve my entire full-time career working as an editor for the Church of the Nazarene. I was hired by Dr. Miriam Hall at the start of my senior year while attending Nazarene Theological Seminary. Over the years, God has blessed our family in so many ways, giving us the opportunity to travel for the church to many official events and activities. Our children saw the very best of the church as they grew up. . . . I thank you for allowing me to serve the Lord through my work."

Bill's skills and passion for children's ministry will be missed in the coming days. Our prayers are for many others to step up and serve as he has in the area of children's ministry.

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