

## LANGHAM WRITER'S GRANTS

### Application Guidelines

Langham Partnership works with local writing and publishing efforts within the Majority World to provide pastors and students with books that are relevant to the local context and contribute to preaching and teaching.

#### **Writers**

Langham writer's grants are available to fresh-thinking, talented scholars who are capable of bringing biblical insight and contextual clarity to seminary students and pastors. Writers must come strongly recommended, possess a mature ability in handling Scripture, have experience in theological teaching, possess at least an MA degree in theology and work in the context of the Majority World. They must also be prepared to sign the [Langham Statement of Faith](#).

#### **Books**

The type of book we have in mind is a theological text written at a popular level (similar to *The Bible Speaks Today* commentary series) or a textbook for classroom study. All texts should include serious study of Scripture and make God's word relevant to the regional context and the experience of local people. The projects sponsored are expected to set a high standard for national writing and publishing.

#### **Audience**

The books are intended for the local student and pastoral markets. The level of writing should be suitable for the educated pastor and the theologically well-read layman.

#### **Writing**

Langham writer's grants are intended to allow a writer to concentrate on the task of writing. In addition, we provide coaching, editorial assistance, and advice regarding a publishing contract. Langham seeks to walk alongside the writer until the project is completed. All writers must commit themselves to finishing the agreed book under supervision, on time, and on budget, and to producing an excellent product. In cases where an overseas stay is authorized and supported, the author must contract to return home after the agreed period.

#### **Proposals**

Interested individuals should submit an application including the information listed on the next page to the attention of Isobel Stevenson. Applications should be emailed or posted to the address listed at the end of this document. An initial response will be made within 90 days. Full approval may require up to six months. We encourage dialogue about potential projects prior to your completing an application.

Thank you for your interest in the Langham writer's grants.

Yours truly,

**Pieter Kwant**  
*Commissioning Editor*

# APPLICATION

*Please provide the following information*

## **A. Personal**

- Full name, title, occupation and job title
- Address, phone, fax, e-mail(s)

## **B. Manuscript**

- Proposed working title, language, and topic
- Type of book (for example, 'textbook' or 'popular theological book')
- Proposed length in words
- Proposed audience and target reader
- Proposed budget, writing calendar and location of writing
- Proposed publisher(s) (please provide contact information)
- Why do you want to write this book? What is your goal? What do you seek to accomplish?
- What distinguishes your book from others in the same category in the market?
- What would be the key message to convince someone to purchase this book?
- Are you a member of any denomination, association or other group interested in this book?

## **C. Supporting Items** *(Please provide electronic documents, if possible).*

- 250-word manuscript summary
- Table of contents with brief chapter summaries (include chapter arguments)
- One draft chapter
- Outline of your study, teaching, & writing experience (on 1 page)
- One personal reference & one project recommendation, by superior or peer

Applications can be submitted in .doc or pdf format via email or printed and sent by post.