



LUTHERAN  
BIBLE  
TRANSLATORS

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR WRITING YOUR STATEMENT OF DOCTRINAL BELIEFS

The goal of your Statement of Doctrinal Beliefs is to present Lutheran Bible Translators of Canada with your **PERSONAL BELIEFS** of the fundamental doctrines of Holy Scripture.

Please type your name on the first page **ONLY**. Please use a 12 point, easily read font. Number your statements to match the topics in sections one and two below. Husband and wife will **EACH** write a statement.

When documenting your beliefs, please use at least two or three Scripture references. Along with the quoted passage, include the version of the Bible you are using along with book, chapter and verse. References from theological books will **NOT** be accepted.

Once you have completed your statement, please submit it to the Missionary Personnel Supervisor.

This is not a pass/fail exercise. A four-member review committee will examine the statement. Once all the reviews are complete, you will receive a written evaluation. If questions exist on your statement, means will be sought to resolve them. Possible solutions include dialog with a Pastor of LBTC's choosing, a reading program, a correspondence course on Lutheran doctrine, or a survey course on New or Old Testament.

1. *Please write a 250-word essay on EACH of the following topics (the Scripture references are **NOT** counted toward the 250 words), explaining **YOUR** belief of the topic.*
  - A. Inspiration of Scripture
  - B. Justification by faith
  - C. The Work and Person of Jesus Christ
  - D. Sanctification
  - E. The Means of Grace

*See the back for further instructions.*

2. *Please write at least two paragraphs that speak to YOUR beliefs regarding each of the following five topics. Bible references should be noted and not counted as a paragraph.*

**A. Law and Gospel**

Please explain the difference between Law and Gospel in the Scriptures and the importance of knowing the difference. Explain how the two are used in Scripture.

**B. Creation**

Share your beliefs on the creation account of Genesis. How does your view on creation impact your understanding of the remainder of Scripture?

**C. Personal Evangelism**

Please explain the approach you use in personal evangelism and include a detailed example from your experience.

**D. Eschatology**

Please give a thorough explanation of your belief on the end times. Include your views on the rapture and millennialism.

**E. Pentecostal Matters**

Fore some people the subjects of speaking in tongues and whether or not miracles still happen today are controversial topics. What do you believe about these topics? How would you feel about working with people who have views differing from yours?