

Instructions for Formatting Book Reviews for Missiology

Unless otherwise indicated, all single reviews should be 300-400 words in length (plus opening bibliographic data and closing biographical notes). The Associate Editor who oversees book reviews may choose not to publish reviews that fall outside of this length requirement. Each review must also include two – three sentences of biographical information on the reviewer. All reviewers, including those who write frequently for *Missiology*, need to submit their biographical information with each review. Please double-space your review, leave a 1-inch margin on all sides, indent paragraphs, and use Times New Roman Font, Size 12. When referencing a book, italicize rather than underline. Please submit your review by email as an attached file to the Associate Editor.

Please use the following format for the opening citation:

Confident Witness, Changing World: Rediscovering the Gospel in North America

Edited by Craig Van Gelder

The Gospel and Our Culture Series [or Revised Edition]

Grand Rapids [or Cambridge, England]: Eerdmans 1999. xix, 313 pp., paper. [or cloth] \$24.00

Reviewed by Hal Morris

* Please be careful to list the publication date given by the Library of Congress rather than the author's copyright date.

Each review should include a balanced, accurate description of the book's content as well as an assessment, positive and negative, and some indication of the book's audience and usefulness ("popular," "college textbook," "standard work," "no seminary library should be without it," etc.). Brevity requires that the reviewer select those features of the book that will best characterize the book and most require evaluation for readers in the field of missiology.

If your book is a collection of articles or papers, please do not give a grocery list of each chapter and each author; instead, look for the most significant, emerging themes and discuss diverging/unifying perspectives within the book. When quoting the book or referring to a page, put page numbers in parentheses simply "like this" (30).

The assessment may include any of the following:

- the author's expertise and present position
- how well the case is argued and the data presented
- style
- relation to other works (if mentioned, give name of author, title, and publication date)
- significance for missiology or a sub-field of it
- data from the title page not included above in the title (long subtitle, a conference/congress as a source of the essays in a collected work, etc.)
- quality of a translation
- value of a reprinting or new edition
- details on a series of which the volume is a part

Thank you for your cooperation and contribution.

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