



*From the office of John Stott*

Dear Friend,

Books play an essential part in our growth into maturity in Christ. Yet, as you well know, Christians in the developing countries of the Majority World (Two-Thirds World) still have to rely largely on books by Western authors, whether in English or in translation. In consequence, the cultural background of the books available tends to be alien to that of the reader.

There is a strong need, therefore, as is increasingly acknowledged, to encourage gifted and educated nationals to write books, which, whether in English or in their vernacular, reflect their own culture.

I wonder if you might be such a person, longing to write a book to benefit the Church in your country or region?

There are two types of books we commission: 1) academic text books for theological students and 2) more popular theological books for an audience of thoughtful laymen, students, and pastors with either a degree or a diploma in theology. The level of writing, therefore, would be more popular than academic, serious yet readable. (The “Bible Speaks Today” expositions by IVP exemplify the level we have in mind.)

It is our hope to support the writing of evangelical scholars from the Majority World, including Eastern Europe. We would like to work with writers who wish to commit their work leave for writing a book. The writing period could be spent near to home or possibly with time in other locations suitable to writing and reflection.

Please review the program information and consider prayerfully if you would wish to apply to be a participant in this Langham Writers effort.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

John Stott