# Guidance on Writing a Book Review for IBTSC Journal

The suggestions below are intended as a general guide for reviewers contributing to *Journal of European Baptist Studies*. They are not intended to be prescriptive or to be addressed in order. Be creative!

- Aim for 400-500 words in total.
- Title: full bibliographic details of the book: author/s; title; place of publication; publisher; number of pages; ISBN.
- Outline the specific topic of the book and its overall purpose/aims as stated by the author, including its main thesis/argument where appropriate.
- Refer briefly to any relevant details about the author eg ministry experience/expertise in the area being discussed in the book.
- Include a brief overview of the book's structure and contents.
- Include only short and relevant quotations to illustrate your points.
- Remember to discuss the book's treatment of the topic rather than the topic itself.
- State what you consider to be any weaknesses/omissions in the author's approach.
- Draw attention to what you consider to be the book's main strength/s.
- Convey your overall personal reactions and considered response to the book.

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