

Appendix

A Guide to Lausanne Documents and Resources¹

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A. Foundational Lausanne Documents

The major documents from the Lausanne 1, Lausanne 2 and Lausanne 3 world congresses are foundational for the Lausanne movement.

- ***The Lausanne Covenant*** (1974)
<https://lausanne.org/statement/lausanne-covenant>
<https://lausanne.org/nb/statement/lausannepakten> (Norwegian)
“The *Lausanne Covenant* is a pivotal document in evangelical Christianity, outlining core beliefs and strategies for global missions, emphasizing evangelism, discipleship, and social engagement. It has been shaping global mission since 1974.”
- ***The Manila Manifesto*** (1989)
<https://lausanne.org/statement/the-manila-manifesto>
<https://journals.mf.no/ntm/article/view/3452/2781> (Norwegian)
“The *Manila Manifesto*, emerging from the 1989 Lausanne Congress, is a significant evangelical document emphasizing holistic mission, societal transformation, and the proclamation of the gospel, influencing Christian engagement worldwide.”
- ***The Cape Town Commitment*** (2011)
<https://lausanne.org/statement/ctcommitment>

1 For an in-depth analysis of historic Lausanne resources, see Margunn Serigstad Dahle and Lars Dahle, “Resourcing the Global Church: A Guide to Key Lausanne Resources 1974-2013”, In: *The Lausanne Movement: A Range of Perspectives*, edited by Lars Dahle et. al. (Oxford: Regnum Books, 2014), 113-128. https://www.ocms.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/The_Lausanne_Movement-Final-WMF.pdf.

<https://lausanne.org/nb/statement/cape-town-erklaringen> (Norwegian)
“In October 2010, the Third Lausanne Congress convened in Cape Town, South Africa, with Christian leaders from 198 countries. The resulting *Cape Town Commitment* is a comprehensive evangelical statement guiding global Christian mission, addressing contemporary challenges, and affirming the centrality of Christ and His gospel.”

B. Key Lausanne Resources

The Lausanne movement has produced many missiological resources, including a series of in-depth essays (LOP), consultation statements, an online journal (LGA), and online video curricula (Global Classroom).

- ***Lausanne Occasional Papers, LOP (1975-)***
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-papers>
“In-depth essays addressing key issues related to global evangelism, missions, and contemporary challenges facing the church”
- ***Lausanne Consultation Statements (2003-)***
<https://lausanne.org/consultation-statements>
“Official documents produced following gatherings and conferences. These statements articulate the shared perspectives, insights, and commitments of evangelical leaders and practitioners on specific topics relevant to global Christianity and mission.”
- ***Lausanne Global Analysis (2012-2025)***
<https://lausanne.org/global-analysis>
“Strategic and credible information and insight from an international network of evangelical analysts”
- ***Lausanne Global Classroom (2018-)***
<https://lausanne.org/global-classroom>
“Each Classroom episode consists of a series of short video segments totaling about 45 minutes and is supplemented by a User Guide.”

C. Lausanne 4 Documents

The Lausanne 4 process (2019-2025) resulted in many missiological documents and resources, where the following should be included in this overview: The *Listening Reports*, the *State of the Great Commission Report*, the *Seoul Statement*, the *Collaborative Action Commitment*, the *Theological Foundation Papers*, and the *Mission Gaps Reports*.

- ***The Lausanne 4 Listening Reports (2020-2024)***
<https://lausanne.org/l4-listen>
“Following the global listening calls and focus group meetings, three extensive Global Listening Reports have been produced and published as Occasional Papers.”

- LOP 71. *The Evangelical Church Interacting between the Global and the Local: Analysis of Lausanne 4 Listening Calls.*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/the-evangelical-church-interacting-between-the-global-and-the-local>
- LOP 72. *Engaging in the Realities of Global Mission: Listening through Focus Group Interviews*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/engaging-in-the-realities-of-global-missions>
- LOP 73. *Seven Challenges for the Global Evangelical Outreach: Results of the Third Listening Reports.*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/seven-challenges-for-the-global-evangelical-outreach>
- ***The State of the Great Commission Report* (2024)**
<https://lausanne.org/report>
 “The State of the Great Commission brings together the best global data and key strategic thinkers to understand where the greatest gaps and opportunities are for the Great Commission’s fulfillment.”
 - *Part 1: Current Status.*
 “The first part, titled ‘State of the Great Commission,’ meticulously tracks a diverse array of human activities aligned with the Great Commission, employing a wide range of traditional missiological measures.”
 - *Part 2: Context Shifts.*
 “The second segment, ‘From Today to 2050,’ addresses ten critical questions concerning global shifts, such as the nature of polycentric Christianity, the essence of humanity, and the impact of digital life.”
 - *Part 3: Regional Considerations*
 “The ‘Regional Considerations’ portion offers a detailed analysis of twelve world regions.”
- ***The Seoul Statement* (2024)**
<https://lausanne.org/statement/the-seoul-statement>
 “The *Seoul Statement* addresses contemporary gaps that the Theology Working Group (TWG) deemed necessary to address for the sake of strengthening and sharpening today’s global mission ... As the TWG engaged in the listening process, it focused especially on biblical and theological ‘gaps’- areas that the previous Lausanne foundational documents had not given sufficient attention. Seven themes from those gaps were selected to invite additional biblical and theological insights.”
 Four LOPs produced by the TWG are foundational background documents for the *Seoul Statement*:

- LOP 74. *'Do You Understand What You Are Reading?'. Toward a Faithful Evangelical Hermeneutic of Scripture.*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/do-you-understand-what-you-are-reading-toward-a-faithful-evangelical-hermeneutic-of-scripture>
 - LOP 75. *The Formation of Disciples for Mission and the Formation of Disciples as Mission.*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/the-formation-of-disciples-for-mission-and-the-formation-of-disciples-as-mission>
 - LOP 76. *Christian Faith and Technology.*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/christian-faith-and-technology>
 - LOP 77. *A Theology of the Human Person.*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/a-theology-of-the-human-person>
 - ***The Collaborative Action Commitment (2024)***
<https://lausanne.org/l4> & <https://lausanne.org/l4/act>
 “Our response to God’s mission requires action. Our ultimate objective is to catalyse collaboration within the global church, spark the accelerated discipleship of all nations and next generations, and shape the world of 2050 and beyond.”
 All the Lausanne 4 Congress delegates in Seoul-Incheon were invited to sign the *Collaborative Action Commitment*:
 I believe the global church as the body of Christ is better together and I aspire to build deeper relationships and explore opportunities for synergy and collaboration.
- I commit to:
- Intentionally respond to the Great Commission by filling gaps and seizing opportunities towards its fulfillment.
 - Pursue relationships and unity with leaders with the common goal of seeing the gospel flourish in our locality.
 - Actively seek to remove duplication and silos by celebrating others and collaborating with them to address challenges facing the global church.
 - Do this with a focus on raising the next generation of leaders who will take this movement from generation to generation.
 - Identifying existing collaboration initiatives and catalyze mobilization of these initiatives, networks and communities to seize opportunities in closing the gaps around us.
 - Explore opportunities to start collaborative action teams within my local context. Together we trust in the purpose, power, and grace of God to

empower us towards this.²

- ***The Theological Foundation Papers* (2025)**
<https://lausanne.org/theological-foundation-papers>
“18 essays rooting key themes from the *State of the Great Commission Report* in theological and missiological foundations.”
 - Tite Tienou: *Polycentric Christianity - Theological Multiplicity and Unity*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/polycentric-christianity-theological-multiplicity-and-unity> (LOP 80 / video)
 - Wilson Paluri: *Understanding Global Change and Cultural Shifts in the Religiously Pluralistic Context – A Crucial Aspect in the Contextualization of the Gospel*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/understanding-global-change-and-cultural-shifts-in-the-religiously> (LOP 81 / video)
 - Peter Lillback: *God’s Saving Truth – The Foundation of Trust*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/gods-saving-truth-the-foundation-of-trust> (LOP 82 / video)
 - Craig Ott: *What are the Emerging Demographics?*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/what-are-the-emerging-demographics> (LOP 84 / video)
 - Lloyd Kim: *Passing the Faith on to the Next Generation*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/passing-on-the-faith-to-the-next-generation> (LOP 85 / video)
 - Victor Nakah: *Ethnic Diversity in Community*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/ethnic-diversity-in-community> (LOP 86 / video)
 - Ivor Gerard Poobalan: *Discipleship and the Great Commission*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/discipleship-and-the-great-commission> (LOP 87 / video)
 - Wen-Pin Leow: *Mental Health and the Church: A Call to Compassion and Care*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/mental-health-and-the-church-strategies-for-faithful-and-compassionate-ministry> (LOP 88 / video)
 - Timothy Tennent: *Christian Mission and the Theology of the Body*
<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/christian-mission-and-a-theology-of-the-body> (LOP 89 / video)
 - Stefan Lindholm: *Technology and Missions – How Technology is Changing our*

2 The whole statement is included here, as it is not published at www.lausanne.org. A Norwegian translation of the statement was published at *Dagen.no* on 10th Oct. 2025, see <https://www.dagen.no/meninger/jeg-forplikter-meg-til-misjonsbefalingen/1268255>.

Lives and Why it Matters for the Great Commission

<https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/technology-and-missions-how-technology-is-changing-our-lives-and-why-it-matters-for-the-great-commission>
(LOP 90 / video)

- Darrell Bock: *Ministry in a Digital Age – How Should Christians Understand ‘Being Together’ in Digital Space as It Relates to Church, Worship, and Discipleship?* <https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/ministry-in-a-digital-age>
(LOP 91 / video)
- Soong-Chan Rah: *Biblical Justice and the Great Commission* <https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/biblical-justice-the-great-commission>
(LOP 92 / video)
- Michael Horton: *Hope is Not a Dream* <https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/hope-is-not-a-dream> (LOP 93 / video)
- Kevin Vanhoozer: *Discerning Trustworthy Truth: How God’s Word and Spirit Form Christian Judgment* <https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/discerning-trustworthy-truth-how-gods-word-and-spirit-form-christian-judgment> (LOP 94 / video)
- Rebecca McLaughlin: *Scripture, Sex and Gender (part 1) - What are the biblical foundations of sex, marriage, and singleness?* <https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/scripture-sex-and-gender-part-1> (LOP 95A)
- Rebecca McLaughlin: *Scripture, Sex and Gender (part 2) - How should Christians understand disorders of sexual development, gender dysphoria, and transgender identities?* <https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/scripture-sex-and-gender-part-2> (LOP 95B)
- Wanjiru Gitau: *Biblical Community and the Great Commission* <https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/biblical-community-and-the-great-commission> (LOP 96)
- Uday Balasundaram: *Digital Life - Reframing Christian Presence in a Technological World* <https://lausanne.org/occasional-paper/digital-life-reframing-christian-presence-in-a-technological-world> (LOP 97)
- ***The L4 Mission Gaps Reports (2025)***
<https://lausanne.org/l4-gap-summaries>
“Reports from 25 Collaborative Gap Sessions at the Seoul Incheon Congress ... Each gap group listened to perspectives on the current reality, imagined a preferred reality, discussed how to create ways to close the gap, and communicated a prayerful proposal in response.”
- *How can emerging population blocks be reached?*

- The global aging population: <https://lausanne.org/statement/global-ageing-collaborate-gap-summary>
- The new middle-class: <https://lausanne.org/statement/the-new-middle-class-collaborate-gap-summary>
- The next generation: <https://lausanne.org/statement/the-next-generation-collaborate-gap-summary>
- Islam: <https://lausanne.org/statement/islam-collaborate-gap-summary>
- Secularism: <https://lausanne.org/statement/secularism-collaborate-gap-summary>
- Least reached people: <https://lausanne.org/statement/least-reached-peoples-collaborate-gap-summary>
- *What is ministry in a digital age?*
 - Scripture engagement in the digital age: <https://lausanne.org/statement/scripture-engagement-in-the-digital-age-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Church forms in a digital age: <https://lausanne.org/statement/church-forms-in-a-digital-age-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Discipleship in a digital age: <https://lausanne.org/statement/discipleship-in-a-digital-age-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Evangelism in a digital age: <https://lausanne.org/statement/evangelism-in-a-digital-age-collaborate-gap-summary>
- *What does it mean to be human?*
 - AI and transhumanism: <https://lausanne.org/statement/ai-and-transhumanism-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Sexuality and gender: <https://lausanne.org/statement/sexuality-and-gender-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Wholistic health: <https://lausanne.org/statement/wholistic-health-collaborate-gap-summary>
- *What is polycentric mission?*
 - Polycentric missions: <https://lausanne.org/statement/polycentric-missions-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Polycentric resource mobilization: <https://lausanne.org/statement/polycentric-resource-mobilization-collaborate-gap-summary>
- *How can spirituality and holiness define missions?*
 - Global integrity and anti-corruption: <https://lausanne.org/statement/global-integrity-and-anti-corruption-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Integrated spirituality and mission: <https://lausanne.org/statement/integrated-spirituality-and-mission-collaborate-gap-summary>

- Developing leaders of character: <https://lausanne.org/statement/developing-leaders-of-character-collaborate-gap-summary>
- *What is community?*
 - People on the move: <https://lausanne.org/statement/people-on-the-move-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Urban communities: <https://lausanne.org/statement/urban-communities-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Digital communities: <https://lausanne.org/statement/digital-communities-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Ethnicism and racism: <https://lausanne.org/statement/ethnicism-and-racism-collaborate-gap-summary>
- *What is the influence on society?*
 - Christianity, radical politics, and religion: <https://lausanne.org/statement/christianity-radical-politics-and-religious-freedom-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Caring for creation and the vulnerable: <https://lausanne.org/statement/caring-for-creation-and-the-vulnerable-collaborate-gap-summary>
 - Societal trust and influence of Christianity: <https://lausanne.org/statement/societal-trust-and-influence-of-christianity-collaborate-gap-summary>