

Example

Statement of Doctrine

By:

In composing your Statement of Doctrine, we want you to know that the ECA is assessing your doctrinal understanding of the Trinity, salvation, baptism and the inspiration and inerrancy of the Word of God from a perspective of biblical, evangelical, and conservative belief. Therefore, you should know that referencing or quoting source material without citing the source amounts to plagiarism. Plagiarism is a serious offense in academia, but even more so for a minister of the Gospel. To use someone's material without crediting the source is tantamount to theft, which contradicts God's command, "Thou shalt not steal" (Exodus 20:15 KJV). If using sources, do so very sparingly as the ECA wants to know in your words that which best represents what you believe.

Please supply some of the important scripture references you hold to each point in your Statement of Doctrine. You only need to cite a reference and not necessarily quote it.

Trinity (What are the distinct responsibilities of each member, and can you explain why the Trinity is a fundamental doctrine of the Christian Church.)

Salvation (How does salvation take place, and what must a person do to be saved?)

Baptism (What role does baptism play in our salvation, and what formula would you use in baptism?)

Inspiration and Inerrancy of the Word of God (Describe the verbal, plenary inspiration and why inerrancy is so important to the church.)

(Not to exceed two pages)