

# Autobiographical Essay

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**Write an autobiographical essay, with limited use of first person and a title page. Use *A Manual for Writers for Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations (8th ed.)* by Kate Turabian as a general stylistic guide. Turabian resources can be found on our website (<https://www.nobts.edu/cme/default.html>) under Current Students>Resources. The essay should include:**

- A brief statement of conversion and call (1 page)
- A brief description of ministry experience (2 pages)
- Discussion of philosophy of ministry (2-4 pages)
- A discussion of three influential books (apart from the Bible) read in the past three years (2 – 3 pages)
- Evaluate your previous ministry experience and present two to three goals for personal and professional development (2 pages)