



# Νέω Τέσταμεντ Γρεΐκ φορ Νέω Τέσταμεντ Χρίστιανς (New Testament Greek for New Testament Christians)

**Description.** New Testament Greek for New Testament Christians is an interdenominational Bible Study Class whose purpose is the equipping of saints for deeper study of the New Testament in its original language. Participants will learn *Koine Greek*, the language of the New Testament, the Septuagint, the Early Church Fathers, the pseudepigrapha and many other writings during the life and ministry of Jesus Christ and the early Church.

In addition to learning the Greek alphabet, pronunciation, vocabulary and syntax, this class will feature selected word studies each week, for example: Ἰησοῦς (Jesus), λόγος (Logos, the Word), Πνεῦμα (Spirit), κοινωνία (fellowship), ἰχθύς (fish, early Christian symbol), συναντιλαμβάνομαι ([the Spirit] helps [our infirmities], Romans 8:26), ὑπερνικῶμεν (more than conquerors, Romans 8:37), and so on.

**Purpose.** Learning any language is an arduous task that requires much attention to small details: the Greek alphabet and pronunciation, nouns and their declensions, verbs and their conjugations, syntax and reading sentences, vocabulary and word studies, and so on. The primary purpose of this class will be to teach participants *Koine Greek* so that they can read and study the New Testament in its original language(s).

But along the way students will also learn something about the history of the Greek text, a brief intro to the critical apparatus for the text, information about the various Latin, German and English translations of the New Testament and the history behind those translations, and so on.

**Learning Materials.** Participants are encouraged to purchase their own copy of the 28<sup>th</sup> edition of the Nestle-Aland Greek New Testament: *Novum Testamentum Graece With Dictionary*, (\$63.75 on Amazon.com). With their own Greek New Testaments (GNT) participants will be able to mark texts, make notes, and utilize their GNTs in private study and worship. Alternatively, participants can read the New Testament in Greek online if they prefer.

Rather than requiring participants to purchase additional learning materials (Greek grammar, lexicon, etc.), the instructor will post lessons and other materials on a special website < <http://koinegreek.org/bg/> > so that students can study and/or print whatever they wish. Additionally, a large number of links to online resources will also be posted on the site.

**Beginning class date:** October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**Day of the week/time of each one-hour class:** Monday evening, 7:00-8:00 pm.

**Location:** Christ Community Wesleyan Church, 6275 Kenney Memorial Rd., Albany, OH.

**Duration of entire class:** 6 months to gain a basic foundation in *Koine Greek*.

**Instructor.** Jerry Massie, organist and Bible teacher, Hope UMC, Wellston, OH.