GREEK 501: Basic Greek I  
GCTS, Summer Session II, 2012

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**Purpose of the Course**

This course will introduce the student to the essential grammar, morphology, and vocabulary of New Testament Greek (Why? Because our Lord inspired the New Testament to be written in Koine Greek). The purpose of this introduction is to begin the process of the most important tool for interpreting the New Testament. At the conclusion of this course and Basic Greek II, the student will understand enough of the fundamentals of Greek to translate and analyze simple passages from the New Testament. The completion of this course does not mean “you know Greek,” rather it means you are now ready to begin the lifelong process of studying the Greek of the New Testament. This course supports Articles 1-4 of the GCTS Mission.

**Structure of the Course**

This class will meet three hours a day, three mornings per week (MWF) throughout Summer I term, with a Final Exam. Each class you are to come having read the chapters to be discussed that day, as well as completed the instructed exercises for that day. Every student will be expected to demonstrate the daily advance of their knowledge of New Testament Greek through various activities and quizzes.

Please note: Though the quizzes focus on particular chapters, they are always cumulative, including vocabulary!

**Grading**

The student’s grade will be determined by four elements as follows:

1) Quizzes – 25 %
2) Test 1 – 25 %
3) Test 2 – 25%
4) Final Exam – 25%

*In addition, to pass the class (regardless of the strength of one’s quiz or test grades)—ALL HOMEWORK MUST BE COMPLETED AND TURNED IN ON THE DAY FOR WHICH IT IS ASSIGNED. HOMEWORK WILL BE COLLECTED AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH CLASS. Being absent from class does not automatically excuse you from handing in assignments.*
• A student is allowed one (1) and only one “late assignment” during the term.
  o For a “late assignment” to be accepted, additional work will be required. The student is to speak with the instructor in such events. Remember, a student who fails to submit every homework assignment will automatically fail the course.
• A second late assignment will result in the reduction of a student’s final grade by one grade (A becomes B, B+ becomes C+, etc.)
• A third late assignment will result in the reduction of a student’s final grade by one grade.
• A fourth late assignment will result in the automatic failure of the course.

The scale is as follows: 99-100 (A+); 96-98 (A); 94-95 (A-); 92-93 (B+); 89-91 (B); 87-88 (B-); 85-86 (C+); 82-84 (C); 80-81 (C-); 79 (D+); 76-78 (D); 75 (D-); 74 and below (F).

Academic Integrity

In a class such as this, students often work together in groups or pairs – this is fine and encouraged. But, students are expected to do their own work. A good practice is to do the assignments before meeting with your study partners for discussion. After all – when the time comes for the quiz, test, and the continually expected fielding of questions in class – it is you, and you alone, that can give your answer.

FINAL NOTE: It is assumed you are taking Greek 1 and Greek 2 in the Summer because you want to, not because you are obliged to. As such, you know that you stand upon an almost impossible task – to cover an entire year’s worth of study in only a handful of weeks. Given the daunting nature of such an intensive course, it is assumed that you have made the necessary arrangements to be able to commit fully, everyday to the study of New Testament Greek. Is it my prayer that the Lord will send to you those who can ease your burdens as you embark on this “Summer of Greek.”

Textbooks

2) ______________ , Basics of Biblical Greek, Workbook, Zondervan, 2009 (3rd ed.)
3) Greek New Testament (UBS4 or NA27)

Proposed Daily Schedule

1) June 18 Introduction to Class and Mounce, Chapters 1-5
2) June 20  Mounce, Chapters 6-7; WB 3, 4, and Review #1; Quiz 1 (1-5)
3) June 22  Mounce, Chapters 8-9; WB 6 (odds only) and 7 (odds only); Quiz 2 (6-7)
4) June 25  Mounce, Chapters 10; WB 8 (odds only) and 9 (odds only); Quiz 3 (8-9)
5) June 27  **EXAM ONE: LESSONS 1-9; Mounce, Chapters 11-12; WB 10 (odds only)**
6) June 29  Mounce, Chapt 13-14; WB 11 (odds only) and 12 (odds only); Quiz (1-10)
7) July 2  Mounce, Chapt 15-16; WB 13 (odds only) and 14 (odds only); Quiz (1-13)
8) July 6  **EXAM TWO: LESSONS 1-16, Mounce, Chpt 17-18; WB 16 (odds only)**
9) July 9  Mounce, Chapt 19-20; WB 17 (odds only) and 18 (odds only); Quiz 6 (1-18)
10) July 11 Mounce, Chapt 21; WB 19 (odds only) and 20 (odds only); Quiz 7 (1-20)
11) July 13 **FINAL EXAM (1-21)**