



**Global Learning Initiative**

SUPPORTING OPEN BIBLE-DRIVEN LEARNER-DIRECTED EDUCATION

## Praise for the Bible OL Pi Server

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I am pleased to recommend a new Raspberry Pi server solution originally announced by the [Global Learning Initiative](#) as [World sensation: the Bible OL Pi3 App is here!](#) on December 18, 2017. This solution has now been developed further into the Bible OL Pi server. An extremely cheap credit card sized mini-computer can be used as a small server and a mobile access point.

The aim of Global Learning Initiative is to help theological students at seminary and university levels to study the biblical languages – Hebrew and Greek – and the interpretation of the Bible among. The most important tool in this regard is [Bible Online Learner](#) which offers a full online learning environment and certification of skills.

The new Bible Online Learner mini-computer is a digital stand-alone solution, allowing up to 25 students to access a local, solar powered, wireless server with laptops or mobile devices. The server takes up very little physical space, setup is plug-and-play and maintenance of the server is minimal, through tethering with a mobile phone for regular updates on software.



The advantages of the Bible Online Learner are clear: Accessibility to high quality educational materials and international databases on biblical languages even without local internet access and through students' own mobile phones. Courses can be accessed at any time and everywhere. This setup saves time, motivates students, and accelerates learning.

Bible Online Learner has been developed by Professor of Biblical Hebrew and ICT, Dr. Nicolai Winther-Nielsen (Copenhagen; contact [nwn@fiuc.dk](mailto:nwn@fiuc.dk)) and software test engineer, PhD student, Judith Gottschalk (Nürnberg). Early stages of the development was by EU through the EuroPLOT project (2010-2013; <http://www.eplot.eu/>).

The Bible OL Pi has now been developed to a stage where we are looking to gain more experience from users, students and teachers alike. After several pilot projects in Madagascar and Tanzania, we are now inviting institutions – universities and seminaries – to partner with us in offering this tool for their students. We supply the technological setup needed, resource persons – technical as well as pedagogical – and we train teachers and advanced students on site in order to guarantee easy adaption. We call on partnering institutions to help us develop Bible Online Learner further through their feedback and sharing of test results.

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