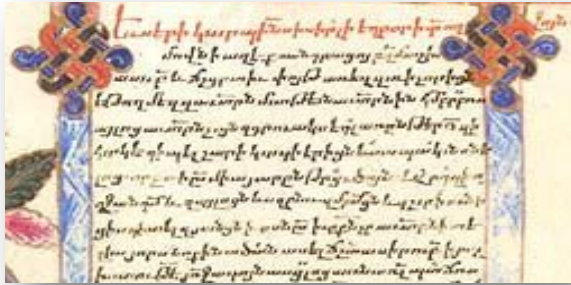


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The GAİDZ Foundation seeks to support the study and promotion of the Classical Armenian heritage, beginning with the Armenian translation of the Bible in the fifth century. Its main focus is the Armenian Bible, its text, Armenian commentaries, illuminations of the Armenian manuscripts as well as the role of all the above in defining the Armenian identity through the centuries. We aim to serve the academic community as well as the heirs of the Classical Armenian heritage, transcending Church boundaries and denominations. We hope to carry out innovative educational projects that will elevate Armenian theological and historical studies to a global audience, making it available through the internet to every university, classroom, library and home. This foundation will support various initiatives and efforts to expand the knowledge of our Classical Armenian heritage and to diversify intellectual inquiry into every aspect associated with the Armenian version of the Bible and its manuscripts..



## What is it?

GAİDZ is a USA based charity registered at the IRS as a 501(c)(3) organization. Its founding members and its Board of Directors are entrepreneurs, professionals and scholars. We believe in the essential role that the Classical Armenian heritage played, (beginning with the writings and translations of the Holy Translators during the fifth century) based on the Armenian version of the Bible and its manuscripts, in shaping our identity and culture. GAİDZ believes in the importance of studying and exploring the same today, especially for the communities in the diaspora. GAİDZ-USA is part of an international foundation with branches in the UK (GAİDZ-UK) and France (GAİDZ-France).

## Projects

GAİDZ is laying the foundation to pursue the following keystone projects in the very near future:

- Formation of university programs of studies in the Armenian Bible & associated subjects & their manuscripts.
- Establishing scholarships for research in the Armenian Bible and associated subjects.
- Establishment of a research center for visiting and resident scholars focused on the Classical Armenian heritage to strengthen and promote Armenian identity and culture.
- Harnessing the scholarly output of the research center into a think-tank producing publications, conferences, lectures and innovative programs promoting its mission.

**GAİDZ – ԿԱՅՕ**

(Armenian word meaning “Spark”)

## Why GAİDZ?

- GAİDZ is the only foundation dedicated to research in the Classical Armenian Bible and its manuscripts and commentaries;
- It is the only non-ecclesial and non-denominational foundation which promotes scholarship and research in the Armenian version of the Bible;
- It is the only foundation dedicated to supporting individual scholars in their research of the Armenian Bible by participation in conferences, publication of books, and organizing conferences on this subject;
- It is the only foundation that reaches out to the younger generation by using the latest technologies to promote reading the manuscripts associated with the Bible and its commentaries in Classical Armenian and publishing them.
- It is the only foundation that is committed to establishing research centers in the USA and around the world, along with its sister organizations in the UK and France, for scholars in the field of the Classical Armenian heritage version of the Bible.

## How?

- Establishing program(s) of study dedicated to the Armenian Bible and related subjects in universities and accredited institutions
- The preservation, researching and publishing of Classical Armenian manuscripts of the Bible and its related subjects.
- The creation of a center dedicated to research in the Armenian manuscripts of the Bible and to subjects associated with the Armenian version of the Bible, providing resources supervision and facilities for visiting and resident scholars.

## Mission

The mission of GAİDZ is to support scholars in undertaking academic research of the Armenian Bible, commentaries and their manuscripts through provision of supportive grants and access to digitized formats of valuable documents needed to undertake this research, and to disseminate the findings of such research to the public through didactic, cultural and social programs.

## Vision

To spark a renaissance in the Armenian community by bringing to the forefront of our identity our people’s unique contributions as a nation to the Bible and our faith, by promoting programs based on our understanding of these pillars of our identity as a nation that shaped our past and defines our destiny.

