

PENTECOST 2024 (Acts 2)

Questions to discuss with family and friends.

1. When do you remember first hearing or reading the Gospel of Jesus Christ? What language was it in? Was the language you read or heard the Gospel in your first language? Were you conscious of the Holy Spirit as you read or heard the Gospel?
2. How many languages do you understand? How many languages do you speak? Think about how you would express the Good News of Christ in each language you speak. Are you aware of any way that the Holy Spirit leads you to express the Gospel differently in different languages?
3. Jewish people from all over the Roman world who had gathered in Jerusalem to observe Passover were surprised on the day of Pentecost: “... *we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.*” (Acts 2:11b) What to you are the mighty works of God?
4. Are you a powerful witness to Jesus Christ in any part of your life? (Acts 1:8)
5. The Acts of the Apostles tells how the Holy Spirit gave boldness to those who trusted in Christ. Do you have boldness in speaking about Christ?
6. Is there anything about Jesus Christ that you don't have boldness in speaking about? Do you feel uncertain or hesitant about... something you don't understand? ...something that is a mystery that must not be spoken of? ...something you are offended about in the Gospel? ...something you are afraid might be true but would be hurtful to others? ...something that other people say about Christ that you do not believe is true? What is the Holy Spirit is saying to you about these matters?