



# Week 6 / Pre-School

## Spirit & Community

### Session plan

Core value: 'His power. My family'

#### Key Verse:

Acts 2.1–2 (ESV)

*When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.*

#### Resources:



Electric fan

Red fabric (or any red clothes), preferably one for each child

You could have a large piece of red fabric held over the heads of the children

AND fabric for leader's head



The story audio



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## Activity: Story

Invite all the children to sit and listen to the audio story

## Activity: Role Play Pentecost

Tell the story about Pentecost again and encourage everyone to join in using the actions:

Pentecost was the day God's power came ...

*(clench arms to show muscles action)*

and God's family started

*(everyone hold hands in a circle)*

Many people were in Jerusalem to celebrate a Jewish festival called Passover

*(Ask children to pretend to talk to each other)*

The people came from all over the world and spoke many languages

*(Ask if children/adults can say anything in a different language)*

Jesus' disciples were also staying there; they were in a room, praying together

*(Gather children in a circle – children put hands together as if praying)*

As they prayed inside the room, something amazing happened. A wind filled the room, and it was so strong it shook the house!

*(Put on the electric fan, allow children to have fun feeling the wind on their faces)*

The disciples knew that this was the moment they had been waiting for ...

*(Get everyone to say 'wow!' out loud)*

Then as they looked at one another, something more remarkable happened. What seemed to be flames of fire were appearing on their heads

*(This is where the red fabrics are shaken over the heads of each child)*

God's power had certainly come

*(Clench arms to show muscles action)*

The disciples started speaking in lots of different languages ...

*(Use some of the words learnt earlier in varying languages)*

All the people in Jerusalem heard the noise ... they came to check out what was going on

*(They were asking 'How come you can speak the same language I speak?')*

Well, that was because God's power had come

*(Clench arms to show muscles action)*

Then, Peter one of the disciples, stood up and spoke to the crowd ...

*(Leader stands and speaks through a megaphone created out of rolled paper)*

And he started to tell them all about Jesus.

He told them how Jesus had died on the cross, but then he came back, so that they could be forgiven for all the bad things that they had done

*(Make the sign of the cross – arms stretched wide open)*

It was amazing

*(Big wide-open mouths and gasps)*





They were asking 'What do we do next? How do we get forgiven for all the bad things we have done?'

That was the point when God's power filled many, many people. Over 3,000 people that day decided to be best friends with Jesus and the moment they made that decision, they became part of God's family  
*(Hold each others hands)*

On that day, God's power came, and God's family started  
*(Clench arms to show muscles and hold hands with each other)*

**Zoom tweaks**

- Before the session ask the families to have one red piece of fabric for the parent to use
- Start the session by all making a paper fan that they can use to fan themselves when the 'wind of the Spirit' comes (if the family has an electric fan, perhaps encourage an adult to use it for the relevant part of the story)
- When the need to hold another's hand is needed for 'family', encourage the child to hold their own hand or that of an adult present with them, or even a teddy bear

## Creative prayer

Put the fan back on and ensure that all the children can feel the wind blowing on their face. If you have a large group, create a circle with maybe three or four fans and the children sitting inside it.

**Pray**

*Lord Jesus, thank you for your power. Please can we have your power today? Help us remember that when we are best friends with you, we are part of your family. Thank you for your power. Thank you for your family.*

**Zoom tweak**

- Use a wind SFX, or ask your child to make a wind sound as the prayer is prayed
- A present adult can fan their child with the paper fan or use a fan they may have at home

## Next Session:

### Session 7: Hope & Home



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