



## Future-proofing our children

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Sunday School Class: 3

**Lesson Title**

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost

# A Parent's Guide

Sunday School Home Schooling



*Dear Parent*

Welcome to the “**The Outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost**” Sunday School lesson. This document provides you with a minimum guide on how to present the lesson.

### How to prepare and present the lesson

Below are some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
1.	Access the New Apostolic Church Website by keying-in or clicking on the following link from WhatsApp: <a href="https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS">https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</a>
2.	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bible</li> <li>• The PDF lesson that is already prepared</li> <li>• Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, etc.</li> <li>• The Video Clip which is an additional optional resource tool</li> <li>• Catechism and Question and Answer (for Confirmation classes)</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <p>2.1: An ideal time preferably to present the lesson is after the Sunday morning service in line with the normal Sunday School time to maintain the routine.</p> <p>2.2: Please keep the lesson as concise as possible, bearing in mind the retention span (to focus on the lesson) of our children – you know your child best. <i>Sunday School normally does not exceed 45 minutes.</i></p> <p>2.3: The lessons are class specific (SS1, RI1 or Confirmation).</p> <p>2.4: Please contact your SS teacher if you need any of the above resources.</p>
3.	Pray (see sample as an annexure) and ask God to use you as a tool to present the lesson the way He would want us to present it.
4.	<p>Create a pleasant (disturbance free) learning environment where you and the children are at the same level</p> <p><b>Example:</b> Sit on the mat or around a table</p>
5.	Read through the lesson. Re-read the lesson so that you understand it. Watch the video clip of the lesson to get a better understanding of the lesson.
6.	Make notes for yourself on important points that you would like to remember.



# Present a Sunday School Lesson at Home

## How to prepare and present the lesson

We continue to share some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

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7.	Understand the objective of the lesson that your child must remember.
8.	Present the lesson to your child by telling the story. You can even read the story if you like.
9.	Show your child the video and recap on the meaning/purpose of the lesson.
10.	Refer your child to the activity in the child's workbook.
11.	Pray, or ask your child to pray and close the lesson.

## Available tools in terms of Home Schooling

Herewith some tools to enhance the quality of the lesson:

1. WApp chat the lesson with another Sunday School family.
2. Discuss with other parents to obtain clarity regarding the lesson before it is presented.
3. Feel free to conduct your own research for additional information.
4. Your congregation's Sunday School Coordinator and Teacher are on stand-by to assist.






# The Lesson

<b>Lesson Title</b>	The outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost
<b>Text</b>	Acts 2:1-13
<b>Lesson Objective</b>	Children learn: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What happened on the day of Pentecost and why we still Celebrate Pentecost; and</li><li>• That we rejoice that God is still active through the Holy Spirit.</li></ul>

## Lesson Summary:

- It had been 10 days after Jesus had returned to Heaven.
- During that time in Jerusalem there was a harvest festival. People from many different nations were in Jerusalem. It was time to celebrate and thank God for the harvested crops.
- The followers of Jesus were gathered in one place. (At about 9 o'clock) all the Disciples were together in one place, when a sound like the blowing of a powerful wind came from heaven.
- What seemed to be tongues of fire separated and came to rest on head of each person who was in that room. The disciples started speaking in other different languages.
- A big crowd of people gathered to listen. Peter preached the best sermon ever on that day. 3,000 people believed and were saved.

## What does this lesson mean for us today?

- God keeps and fulfils his promises.
- He sent his Holy Spirit to live in us and to help us do his work.
- God wants us to share his stories and his love, with the whole world.
- The Holy Spirit is right beside us and he is always with us, everywhere we go.
- In our time, the laying-on of hands is a sign of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
- We also received the gift of the Holy Spirit, through the laying of hands, on our heads and a prayer by our Apostles.



## Some questions that we can ask:

- When and where did the Disciples receive the Holy Spirit?  
*Answer: on Pentecost day when 'they were all together in one place'*
- In what city did the initial outpouring of the Holy Spirit occur?  
*Answer: In Jerusalem*
- At what time of the day did the Holy Spirit fall on the day of Pentecost?  
*Answer: at 9 o'clock/ 9<sup>th</sup> hour*
- How many were added to the church after Peter spoke?  
*Answer: 3000 people*
- Why were many added to the church after peter spoke?  
*Answer: They saw that Jesus is truly the Son of God and that He kept his promise.*

## A Prayer for Daddy and Mommy to pray before the lesson:

*Dear God, thank you for this day  
Bless all parents and children  
May we feel your presence  
Bless the lesson we will have  
Please teach us how to serve you  
And help us to do your will  
So that we grow closer to you  
Send Jesus to fetch us  
And may we be ready to meet Him  
Amen*