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## PRAYING IN TONGUES -A WEAPON AND A KEY

ane and her family are from Kenya. They speak the Swahili language. Jane recently became a Christian - she is the first person in her family to accept Jesus. She encourages her mother and invites her to Church.

As they were walking home from Church one day, Jane's mum asked her what she had learnt at Sunday School. Jane replied, "We are still learning about our special helper the Holy Spirit". "Really?" said mum, "so what else did you learn about the Holy Spirit today. Jane answered excitedly "Did you know that as a believer, once you are filled with the Holy Spirit you can start to speak in a special language which is called the language of the Holy Spirit?" This is what the Bible refers to as speaking in new tongues (Mark 16:17). "Hmm..." muttered Mum, "that sounds interesting, please tell me more".

Imagine you or Dad who speak Swahili suddenly speaking in Chinese when you are praying." That is exactly what happened after Jesus rose from the dead and went to heaven. A group of his close friends gathered in Jerusalem to spend time to pray together. While they were praying, the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit and started to speak in different languages that they have never spoken before.

The people who were around heard them speak these languages and were very surprised and confused. Some of them even made fun of them saying they must be drunk. The disciples were not drunk, they were speaking in the special language of the Holy Spirit also known as speaking in tongues.



Jane explained to her mother that speaking the language of the Holy Spirit is a special gift of the Holy Spirit and it cannot be learnt.

As Christians, whether we are young or old, we can all pray and



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praise God in tongues. When we pray this way, our prayers are more powerful, especially when we are not sure what to pray about (Romans 8:26, Matt.10:20). There are so many

benefits of praying in the language of the Holy Spirit:

- 1. Praying in tongues helps us get wisdom from God. It can even help you get smarter in school.
- 2. It helps us hear God's voice more clearly
- 3. Praying in tongues is a secret weapon that allows us speak mysteries to God.
- 4. It's like a **key** that opens up **God's Power** to us to help people and to defeat the devil.
- 5. When we pray in tongues, we pray God's exact plan for our lives (Romans 8:27, 1 Cor.14:13) and our prayer gets round any doubt we may have in our mind.

So, invite the Holy Spirit to fill you now and give you your own special prayer

language. He loves to do that for you!

: PRAYER :

Heavenly Father, thank you for the blessing of speaking in tongues. Please fill me with your Holy Spirit. Holy Spirit, please help me to pray in tongues more and more. In Jesus' name. Amen



"For if you have the ability to speak in tongues, you will be talking only to God, since people won't be able to understand you. You will be speaking by the power of the Spirit, but it will all be mysterious." **1 Corinthians 14:2 (NLT)** 

#### YouTube Video

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## HOW TO BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT



here I was, sat between my parents in Church. The title of the message was "How to be filled with the Holy Spirit" I had recently given my life to Jesus, and I was kind of excited to hear that even I could receive the Holy Spirit.

Since receiving Jesus, I noticed some big changes. I didn't feel like bullving children at school anymore. Instead, now and again, I get a strong desire to "go and tell that girl about me." My brother's is often in a mess. But the other day, it was as if I heard someone say, "Tosin, go and tidy up Fola's room." Pastor's voice boomed from where he stood at the front. Acts 3:19 says," So you must change your

hearts and lives! Come back to God, and He will forgive your sins. You see, before anyone can receive the Holy Spirit, they must first receive Jesus as their Lord and Saviour."

Pastor went on to say that in Acts 2:4, Jesus' friends were filled with the power of the Holy Spirit, and they began to speak in different languages.

"Well cool!" I thought. Pastor also said that this prayer language would help me pray more and The Holy Spirit would make sure I prayed about the things that God really wanted me to pray about. (Roman 8:26)

Pastor explained that speaking in tongues is a

gift God has given to all His family. He said that I could start with a few words or with a complete language switch. He said that as you begin to speak, the Holy Spirit will keep giving you more and more words. It's just like laughing, sometimes you start to laugh and then you laugh so much it's hard to stop. And it feels just as good!

Pastor then gave the following instructions, "If anyone wants to receive the Holy Spirit and speak in tongues, please come to the front." I ran to the front. "Start to praise God, shout hallelujah over and over and just keep going." I did what he said. My mind was racing, doubt tried to come into my head, but I pushed it out and chose to trust God. Immediately my tongue switched. I was speaking every sound that came to my mind. I didn't understand it, but it was awesome!

From that day my praying changed. Now when I pray, I feel more power than before. And God seems to speak to me even more now. Speaking in tongues is one of the best gifts I have ever received.

## : PRAYER :

Heavenly Father, I thank you for the gift of Your Holy Spirit. As I have made Jesus my Lord and friend, I receive the baptism of your Holy Spirit to start speaking in tongues. In Jesus' name. Amen



And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with different tongues, as the Spirit was giving them the ability to speak out. Acts 2:4 (NASB)

## OUR SUPER GOD-MY GREATEST HELPER



ne day Sammy and his mum prepared to go out for a swimming lesson, and they needed to go by car. So, Sammy's mum asked him to get her handbag, because she thought she had her car key inside it. However, the car key wasn't inside the handbag when Sammy brought it to her. "Where else could it be?" they thought. Sammy and his mum looked for the key around the house, but it was nowhere to be found.

Then Sammy remembered that a few weeks back, Aunty Ify, his Children's Church teacher had introduced a new topic called, "The Unseen Power". She said that the "Unseen Power" is the power of the Holy Spirit. Sammy remembered Aunty Ify explaining that the Holy Spirit knows all things, even the things we don't, and He reminds of things we need to remember. John 14:26

Over and over again, she kept saying "He is our helper; He is here to help us!"

Sammy said to his mum "I think we should pray and ask the Holy Spirit to help us find the car key. I believe He can help us find it!". By this time Sammy's mum had stopped searching for the key and was paying full attention. Sammy continued: "The Holy Spirit is the unseen helper of those who have received Jesus and become children of God. The Holy Spirit is always with us and willing to help us when we call on Him. God doesn't want us to struggle. He wants us to ask His Holy Spirit for help whenever we need it." Sammy and Mum bowed their heads and asked the Holy Spirit to help them find the key, so Sammy could make it to his swimming lesson.

Not long after praying, Mum said, "Wait a minute, I think I know where it is!" She got up and went straight to the living room, checked where she had sat on the sofa and there it was, under a cushion. "Hurray! Thank you, Holy Spirit! they both shouted." "Holy Spirit, you are the greatest!" Sammy added, as he stepped out of the door to his swimming lesson.

## There are so many ways the Holy Spirit can help us!

For example, the Holy Spirit helps us to be bold so we can tell others the good news of God's love and how they can invite the Holy Spirit to live with them always. He is the one who helps us to understand when we read the Bible. When we struggle with a subject at school or when our homework is difficult, He helps us. He also helps us to choose the right friends and make good decisions.



Heavenly Father, I thank you for giving me your Holy Spirit. Holy Spirit, thank you for helping me in every area of my life. In Jesus' name. Amen



But the Helper will teach you everything. He will cause you to remember all the things I told you. This Helper is the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name. John 14:26 (ICB)

## OUR SUPER GOD -BEHIND THE MIRACLES

G ood morning children! How are you all today?' Greeted Mr. Mobbs happily. With the many responses, the children seemed excited to be at summer camp. 'I do hope you have all been enjoying our lessons on the Holy Spirit,' said Mr Mobbs. 'I did learn a lot from the activities we had yesterday, how about you?' Some more excited answers.

"Today's lesson is called 'Behind the Miracles'", said Mr. Mobbs. The Bible tells many stories of the miracles Jesus did while He was here on earth. But who do you think was behind all the miracles that He did?' Candace raised her hands. 'Yes Candace? 'The Holy Spirit,' Candace said confidently. 'Correct, said Mr Mobbs. The Holy Spirit is powerful, He worked through Jesus, and through his first disciples. And He is at work in us now. His strength is the Unseen Power that makes things happen.'

Acts 10:38 says about Jesus - And you know that God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. Then Jesus went around doing good and healing all who were



oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. (NLT)

And John 14:12 says about you and me, "I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father." (NLT)

Wherever Jesus went, the Holy Spirit was with Him giving Him the power. Jesus Himself declared, "The Spirit of the Lord is on me" (Luke 4:18)

Jesus recognised the Holy Spirit at work through His life. Just as the Spirit gave power to people in the Old Testament, He also filled Jesus and gave Him the power to do miracles. Even now, in our time, it is the Holy Spirit who is in us and makes us able to do great things for God (Mk.16:17-18)

"So children", said Mr. Mobbs, "the Bible tells us that God wants to do great things in you and through you. But remember that you cannot rely on your own strength or power. It will be by the help of the Holy Spirit" (Zech 4:6 ERV).

#### YouTube Video

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Heavenly Father, I thank you for filling me with your Holy Spirit. Thank you, Holy Spirit, for living in me and working through me to do great things. In Jesus' name. Amen



"The Spirit of the Lord is in me. God chose me to tell the Good News to the poor. To tell the prisoners of sin that they are free, and to tell the blind that they can see again. God sent me to free those who have been treated unfairly," - Luke 4:18

## Celebrating August Birthdays!

A special shout out to everyone celebrating their birthday this month!

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TIME FOR A LASH...

Q. How do we know Adam was a fast runner? A. He was the first in the human race!

Q. Why wasn't much fruit allowed in the ark? A. Because only pears (pairs) were allowed!

Q. Why did Elijah go to heaven in a fiery chariot? A. Because he was on fire for the Lord!

- Q. Who was the most successful physician in the Bible? A. Job, because he had the most patience (patients)!
- Q. What do you get when you cross an owl with an oyster? A. An animal that drops pearls of wisdom!
- Q. What dog keeps the best time? A. A watchdog!
- Q. What do you get from an invisible cow? A. Evaporated milk!
- Q. What is green and has 16 wheels? A. An alligator on roller skates!



#### Wordsearch

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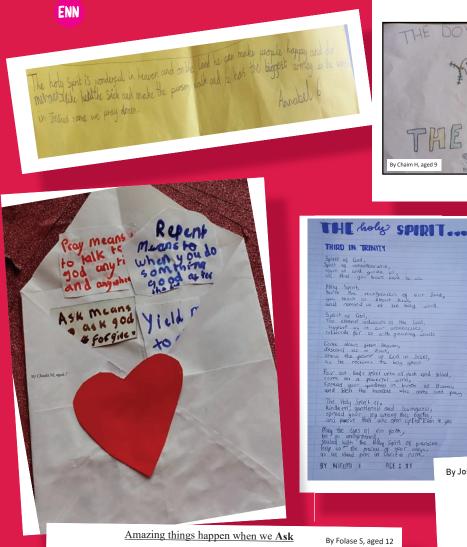
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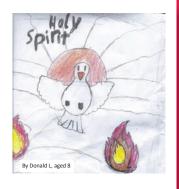
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## CREATVE WORK

Thanks to all to all those who submitted their creative work on the Holy Spirit and Prayer!



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By Josh B, aged 11



FOR ASK The A in P.R.A.Y stands for ask. You

A IN PRAY STANDS

#### always ask. You **ask** when you want something. For instance, you ask God when you want something from Him. You **ask** for help in class if you need it. You even **ask** the waiter in the restaurant to **ask** the chefs to make your food for you! You need to ask for whatever it is that you want.

The Bible says in Matthew 7:7-8. **"Ask, and it will be given to you;** seek, and you will find; knock, and

it will be opened to you. For, everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened." This makes it clear that whoever wants anything in life, you need to ASK.

Queen Esther asked. Moses asked. Nehemiah asked. Paul asked. Abraham asked. King Solomon asked. Gideon asked. Elijah asked. These people received what they asked from God.

Also, Matthew 21:22 says. **"And all things you ask in prayer, believing, you will** receive." This shows that if you want something from God, you should ask. believe in your heart and you will receive your answers from God. If you ask and you don't **believe**. what's the point of asking in the first place, as you won't receive anything? Ask, believe and you will receive. Everyone who asked God for their requests, believed in their heart, and got their prayers answered. You can do the same and God will come through for you. Amen!

#### Amazing things happen when we Ask

Christians believe that God will supply "all your [our] needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:19). It gives us great hope to know that God will provide everything we require.

However, earlier in this chapter, Paul also instructs the Philippian church not to "...Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done." (v6) Therefore, to obtain the promise in verse 19, we must ask.

Moreover, asking God can link to another part of P.R.A.Y: Yield. We should not overlook the importance of asking God that his will may be done (as we see in The Lord's Prayer) because when we allow God's will to prevail, astounding things occur.

We even see the miraculous things that happen in the Word of God when people asked Jesus for healing. For instance, when Jarius asked Jesus to heal his daughter, he did not even expect him to need to raise her from the dead, but he did.

Bear in mind, God will not just give us what we want when we want. Rather, he will bestow to us the blessings that we need - which are the things that will aid us in following his perfect plan for our lives. However, on many occasions, he will grant us things that we ask for, if it is a godly request

In summary, when we confidently ask things of God, remarkable things can happen.



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