

# S.A.F.E. Homes



**Strengthening Apostolic Families Everywhere**



*“And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.” Acts 2:4*

## Happy Birthday To The Church!

Shortly before Jesus ascended into heaven after His resurrection, he instructed his followers, “...tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high” (Luke 24:49). In obedience to Jesus, about 120 people gathered in an upper room in Jerusalem to pray and wait for the promise from heaven.

Outside the upper room, crowds of people thronged the city to celebrate the Jewish feast of harvest, Pentecost. This great celebration came fifty days after the Passover. People travelled from many places to celebrate this special holiday. But something even more special was taking place inside the upper room.

Suddenly a sound came from heaven like a rushing mighty wind and it flooded through the upper room. “And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance” (Acts 2:4).

It didn’t take long for the news to spread throughout Jerusalem. The crowd was confused because they had never seen anything like this before! They asked Peter and the other disciples, “What does this mean?” Peter was glad to explain. When he finished preaching the people asked, “What must we do?” (Acts 2:37).


“Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call” (Acts 2:38-39). Before the day was over, 3,000 more people were added to the church!

Today, almost 2000 years later, God is still fulfilling His Word. Have you received the Holy Ghost like they did on the Day of Pentecost? The promise is for you!

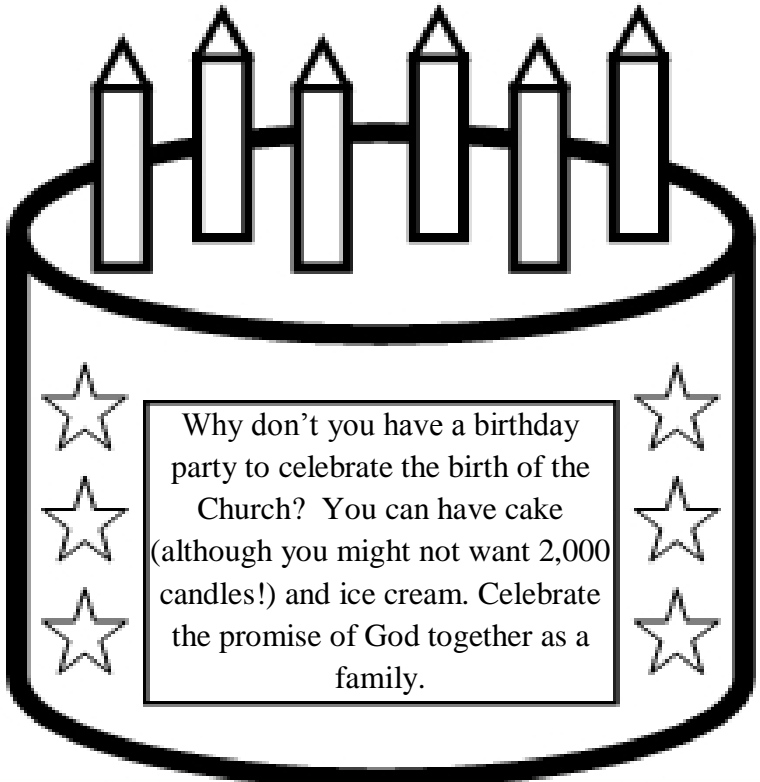
**Family Prayer:** “Jesus, thank You that your promise wasn’t just for the church at Jerusalem. Thank You that we can still be filled with Your Spirit today. I’ve claimed Your promise! In Jesus’ name, amen.”



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Why don't you have a birthday party to celebrate the birth of the Church? You can have cake (although you might not want 2,000 candles!) and ice cream. Celebrate the promise of God together as a family.

Let's talk

Missionaries have told stories of hearing someone who has never learned English praising and worshiping God in the English language. This is a miracle that could only come from God! Why do you think God chose "tongues" as the evidence of the Holy Ghost?

Be sensitive this week. Many people still don't know that the promise of the Holy Ghost is for them. Be ready to share the message with them.



## Additional Challenges

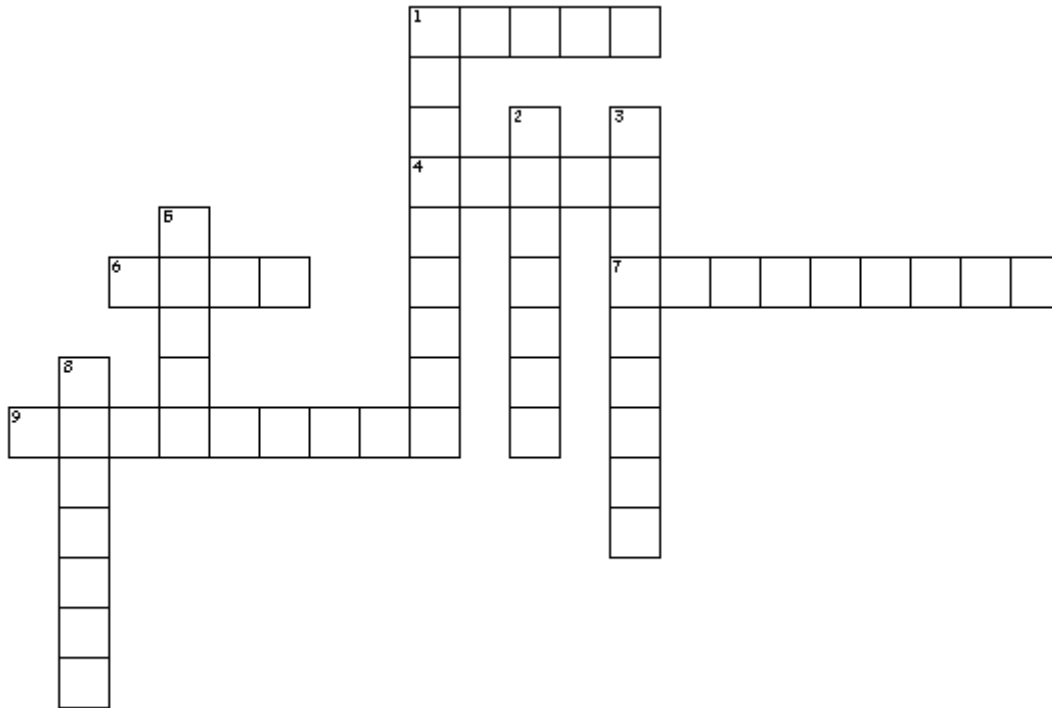
### Let's take a closer look at Acts, chapters 1 & 2:

- For how many days did Jesus show Himself to his disciples after His resurrection?  
(1:3)\_\_\_\_\_
- About how many days were the disciples waiting in the upper room? (Hint: Pentecost was 50 days after the Passover). \_\_\_\_\_
- What woman was specifically mentioned as being in the upper room on the day of Pentecost?  
(1:14)\_\_\_\_\_
- What Old Testament king prophesied the betrayal by Judas? (1:16) \_\_\_\_\_
- Who was chosen to take the place of Judas? (1:26)\_\_\_\_\_
- How many nationalities were represented that day? (2:9-11)\_\_\_\_\_
- What Old Testament prophet foretold the outpouring of the Spirit? (2:16)\_\_\_\_\_
- What did those who were added to the church do *after* Pentecost? (2:42)

They continued \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, and in  
\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, and  
in \_\_\_\_\_.

*We are still continuing in the Apostles' doctrine today!*

## Puzzle Page



### Across

1. \_\_\_ explained the plan of salvation
4. How many more thousand were filled with the Holy Ghost?
6. The sound that filled the upper room
7. Where they gathered in Jerusalem
9. What the followers were filled with

### Down

1. Jewish feast of harvest
2. The \_\_\_ is for you!
3. Where Jesus' followers were told to tarry
5. How many days after Passover is Pentecost celebrated?
8. They began to speak in other \_\_\_

