A Testimony from **steps-to-personal-revival.info**:

The Sri Lanka Mission placed Subani, a new Global Mission Pioneer in Matara to establish a new church. Steps to Personal Revival was translated in to Sinhalese and Tamil the both languages from Sri Lanka. In mid 2022 a batch of booklets arrived in Matara. Subani read the booklet a few times and shared copies of the booklet with all her contacts. Every Sabbath Subani arranged a person to read a portion of the booklet during Sabbath School preliminaries and prayed together with the members. She encouraged her contacts to read a passage of the book daily and pray also daily for the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

In a few months, she noticed the members were eager to attend church and take part in worship programs which made her work much easier. When they conducted a baptism ceremony in December 2022, there were 31 baptisms, the highest among all venues in the Sri Lanka Mission. After that, she was assigned to establish two other churches in Matara district. One Sabbath morning, Subani arrived at the rented hall early, set up the chairs for worship, and knelt in the rostrum and prayed for God's blessing. Suddenly she was impressed to open her eyes and saw flames of fire on each of the chairs she had set up for the worship program. Subani felt a bit disorientated and thought she was dreaming. But after looking at other parts of the hall a few times and saw the surroundings as normal and realised that God was confirming the ministry of the Holy Spirit in their congregation. She is ever so grateful to God for providing these booklets in Sinhala; and the work has been made much easier and fruitful.

Since most people don't receive signs of the Holy Spirit that they can see with their eyes, Helmut Haubeil in 'Steps to Personal Revival' suggests asking yourself the following questions to find out if you are filled with the Holy Spirit.

- Are there any noticeable effects of the Holy Spirit in my life? For example, has He made Jesus real and great to you? (John 15:16)
- Am I starting to hear and understand the inner voice of the Holy Spirit? Can He lead me in the big and little decisions in my life? (Romans 8:14)
- Has a new kind of love for people arisen in me? Does the Holy Spirit give me tender compassion and concern for people, who I wouldn't normally choose as my friends? (Galatians 5:22; James 2:8,9)
- Do I experience again and again how the Holy Spirit helps me to deal with people?
- Does the Holy Spirit give me strength to share about Jesus and lead others to Him?
- Do I experience how He helps me in my prayer life and helps me to express the deepest feelings of my heart to God?

The Holy Spirit

Sabbath

You can't see the wind, but you know it is there because you can feel it and see what it does to the trees.

It's all around us but we can't see it. _ _ 8

- When it's clean it is clear, and it's good to drink. _ _ _ _ 4 across
- Something a person must be doing to live B_____2 down
- Put this in a baloon and it will go up instead of down.
- You can't see it but you can smell it and you can cook with it. ____6d
- It stops the wind and you can't walk through it, but unless it's dirty, you can't see it and if it breaks it can cut you. _ _ _ _ 9a
- We breath in $_$ $_{12a}$ and breath out C $_{D}$ $_{1d}$

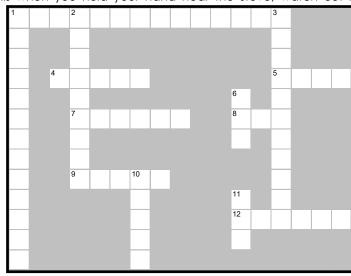
- You feel this when you put your hand in the freezer or fridge. _ _ _ 5a
- You feel this when you hold your hand near the stove; watch out it

hurt you!

- _ _ 11d

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Refer: Acts 2 NLT; *The Acts of the Apostles* p35-46; *The Bible Story* vol10 p11-16

Sunday

On the day of the Pentecost feast all the believers were together in Jerusalem. Suddenly, they heard a sound like a great wind; then they saw little flames of fire which stopped above each person. They were filled with the Holy Spirit and found that they could speak other languages.



There were lots of people were in Jerusalem for the feast; when they heard the loud noise they rushed to see what had happened.

There were Parthians, Medes, Elamites, Mesopotamians, Judeans, people from Cappadocia, Pontus and the province of Asia, Phrygia, Pamphylia,



Egypt, and the areas of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome, Cretans, and Arabs. All these people heard the believers preaching about Jesus in their own language!

When the believers started preaching in different languages some of the crowd suggested that they must be drunk! But the disciples stepped forward and Peter shouted to the crowd, "Listen, all of you. These people are not drunk; no, you are seeing what was predicted long ago by the prophet Joel. He said 'In the last days,' God says, 'I will pour out My Spirit upon all people.'"

Then Peter preached a great sermon about Jesus. Around 3000 people believed what Peter said that day; they were baptised and added to the Church.

Friday

Unscramble the mixed up words:

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The Holy Spirit will help these things to grow in your life:
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Tell you what to AYS

Galatians 5:22, 23, John 16:8, 12, Luke 12:12, Matthew 10:19

Thursday

The Holy Spirit is with you too. He speaks with a "still small voice" to your conscience, but if you ignore Him, it will become harder and harder to hear Him. When you hear that quiet voice in your mind telling you that something is wrong, listen and obey. Then you will be listening to the Holy Spirit.

Find the words in Bold.

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Monday

The Holy Spirit or the Spirit of God is part of what we call the Trinity. As we learned a few weeks ago, the Trinity is something that we humans don't really understand but we might compare it to a family made up of <u>God</u> the <u>Father</u>, God the <u>Son</u> who is <u>Jesus</u>, and the <u>Holy Spirit</u> of God.

- The Holy Spirit is first mentioned at the very beginning of creation in Genesis 1:2.
- Sometimes the Bible talks about people filled with the Holy Spirit. Look up these verses to find some of those specifically mentioned. Genesis 41:38 _ _ _ _ _ _
 Judges 6:34 _ _ _ _ _ , 1 Samuel 16:13 _ _ _ _ _ .
- The Holy Spirit appeared in the form of a <u>dove</u> at Jesus <u>baptism</u> in Matthew 3:16 and as you read yesterday, the Holy Spirit appeared as tongues of <u>fire</u> in Acts 2:3.
- Jesus told His disciples to baptise in the name of the "Father, Son and Holy Spirit" (see Matthew 28:19)

What does the Holy Spirit do? In John 14:26, Jesus called the Holy Spirit a <u>helper</u> and a <u>teacher</u>. In Luke 12:12 Jesus said the Holy Spirit will help us know what to say. And in Galatians 5:22 and 23, Paul describes the "Fruit of the Spirit" - the things that will grow in our lives when we listen to the Holy Spirit.

We cannot see Jesus as a person today, but He promised His Holy Spirit will be with us, to comfort and guide us as we need. John $14:16_{KJV}$

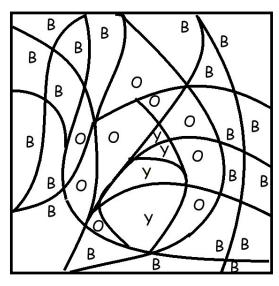
Tuesday

The believers heard a sound like wind and then they saw... This was the Holy Spirit that Jesus had promised.

Y = Yellow, O = Orange, B = light Blue.

The people were surprised to hear the believers speaking.

What did the people say?



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Wednesday

Use the underlined words from Monday and the names that you looked up, to fill the grid below.

7 Letter words 6 Letter words 5 Letter words 4 Letter words **FIRE** BAPTISM **FATHER** D____ HELPER COMFORT GUIDE HOLY **TEACHER** G____ **JESUS** DOVE J_ _ _ _ 3 Letter words **SPIRIT** SON, GOD

