

Life Group Notes

Together Mission

Read Acts 1:1-11 & Acts 2:1-4

1. At 7 years old, I had to wait a few weeks beyond my birthday for my birthday present – a second-hand blue two-wheeled bike. The waiting was hard, but I still remember the intense thrill as my Dad brought me into the room to give me my bike! For what good things have you had to wait? How did it feel when it arrived?
2. Jesus commanded the disciples to ‘wait for the gift my Father promised’ (1:4). How did the disciples and other believers spend the waiting period? What might this say to us as a church?
3. On the Day of Pentecost (one of the Jewish harvest festivals), the believers were filled with the Holy Spirit. Have you experienced that filling? What was it like the very first time it happened?
4. Images of wind and fire are described in 2:2. What names, images and symbols of the Holy Spirit are helpful to you both inside and outside the Bible?
5. The believers ‘began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit enabled them’. Do you believe this is the same or different to what Paul describes in 1 Corinthians 14:6-18? Why or why not?
6. As the believers praise God, the multi-ethnic bewildered crowd that has come together hear them praising in their own native tongues. What do our ways of praising God communicate to those around us?
7. After being filled with the Spirit, how is Peter changed (2:14-40)? How has the Spirit changed you?
8. As the Spirit comes, the Church is born and grows rapidly! How do they engage in ‘Together Mission’ (Acts 2:42-47 & much of the rest of Acts!)? What does this have to teach our church?

To finish

As you know, our plans for a ‘Pop-Up Church’ in the marketplace on Saturday 8th June were rained off, so we did a ‘dry run’ in our church building! Pray for our next opportunity to do something similar at the Lace Hill Community Fun Day on Sunday 21st July.

Pray that increasingly, we will do mission, together, with God!

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