

Jesus appeared to many people for 40 days after he arose. Then it was time to return to his home in heaven.

He promised to send the Holy Spirit to the disciples to give them power and strength to spread the gospel to the farthest corners of the earth.

Pentecost was a Jewish festival where people came from far lands to celebrate. This is the day that the Lord sent the Holy Spirit to the disciples.

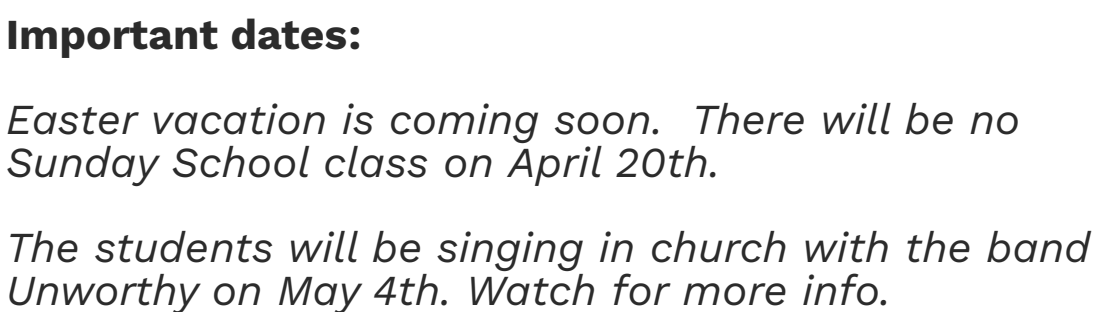
There was the sound of rushing wind, but there was no wind. Tongues of fire came to rest on the disciples' heads, but they did not burn.

The Holy Spirit gave the believers power and strength, just as Jesus had told them. They were instantly able to speak in different languages, to share the news of Christ's salvation to all that were in Jerusalem.

What a sight! The people were amazed! "How can this be?" The Bible tells us that around three thousand people were baptized and saved on that day.

Just like those three thousand people, we too have been baptized into the faith. We too have been given the power and strength of the Holy Spirit through faith in Christ.

*Dear God,  
Thank you for showing us the coming of the Holy Spirit to the disciples. You live in us also through baptism. Help us to live our lives showing that we are your children, that through our actions people can see that we are a child of God. Amen*



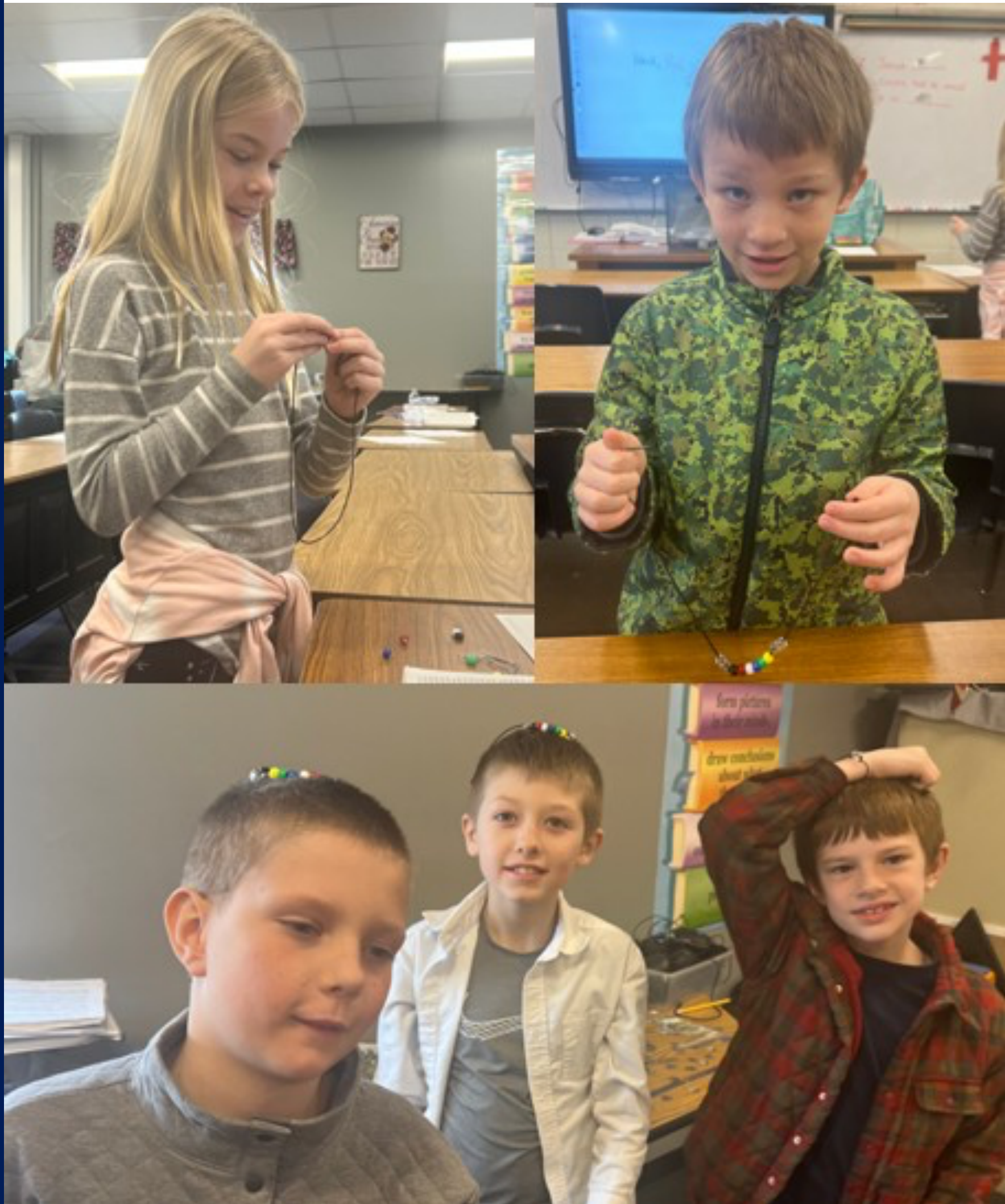
### **Mission Money Bibles...**

Our families are blessed. Do you have a Bible in your home? Many of our children have even more than one Bible. Not having access to God's word is a sad thought. With this year's mission money, our children get to give the gift of God's word to other children.

A gift of \$2.00 will purchase a Bible for a child that has no access to one.

Please consider having a conversation with your child. Help them realize how blessed they are for this gift of God's love and salvation, and help them share this love with other children.

Our 3rd and 4th graders having fun with their project!



*God's blessing to you as you go throughout your week. See you next Sunday!*  
*Good Shepherd Sunday School*

