

This is an interactive reading of Acts 2. If you would like to join in then follow the instructions for the chorus (in italics) as you read the poem.

MAKE THE WIND BLOW - (Acts 2)

Jesus's friends were watching and praying.
Praying for the present that he had promised.
Praying together in the city of Jerusalem.
Praying on the Feast of Pentecost.

Jesus' friends were watching and praying
When all of a sudden, their prayers were answered.
They heard the roar of a rushing wind.
And tongues of fire licked their heads.

*Make the wind blow. (Wave hands like the wind).
Make the fire glow. (Make shape with hands like fire.)
Take the words from your lips (Pretend to touch God's lips.)
And put them on our lips (Touch our lips.)
And speak them out to the whole of the world. (Make the shape of the world.)*

Jesus' friends were watching and praying
When the Holy Spirit came upon them
Filled them, thrilled them and spilled right out of them
With words they did not know.

'What's going on?' asked the people of Jerusalem.
'What can this possibly mean?
These are plain Galileans, ordinary folk,
Speaking words they could never have learned.'

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'We come from the north, the south and the east.
We come from all over the world!
Yet we all understand the things that they say
As they tell out the wonders of God.'

But some of the crowd were not so impressed.
Some even said they were drunk!
And that's when Peter, Jesus' friend,
Stood up and put them right.

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And speak them out to the whole of the world.*

'Filled with wine?' he said 'Not likely!
But we're filled with something else!
Filled with God's own Holy Spirit –
The power the prophets promised.'

'And how did this happen?' asked Peter.
'I'll tell you plain and true.
This is the gift of Jesus, the Messiah
Whom you killed just six weeks ago!'

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And speak them out to the whole of the world.*

The people were sorry, sad and ashamed.
And they cried, 'What can we do?'
'Repent and be baptised,' said Peter plainly.
And this gift will come to you!'

So the people repented, and the people baptised.
Three thousand people – or so!
And the word spread from there to the rest of Judea
And on to the rest of the world!

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