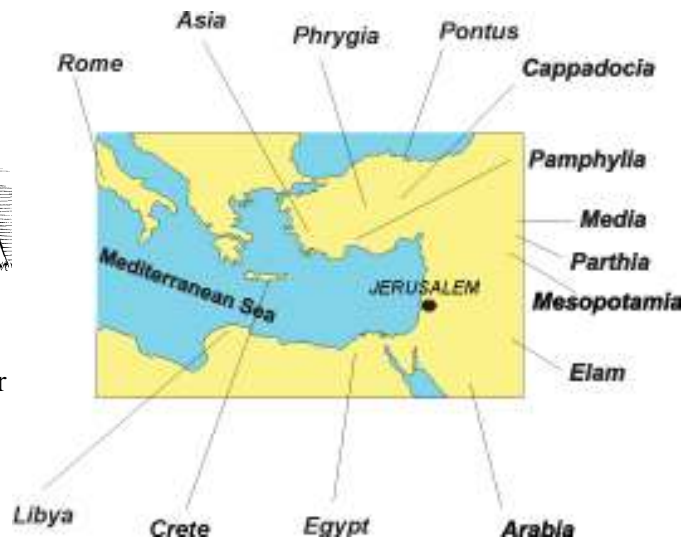
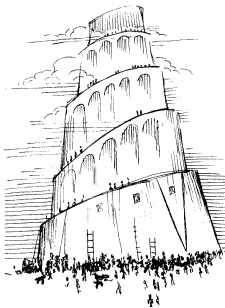


# Spirit Of Unity

## The Holy Spirit makes people one in heart and in mind

In the Book of Genesis there is a story about how people tried to build a tower to reach heaven. They were trying to live without God and make themselves gods. They were full of pride. What happened next? The people had previously understood each other, but God allowed their languages to become different. They no longer understood each other and were scattered over the earth.



If pride divides people, love unites them. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Love. Because of pride the people's languages became different. Because of the Holy Spirit people of many languages came together and understood the apostles very



The map above shows the home areas of the different people who heard the apostles preach in Jerusalem at Pentecost.

It shows that people of every nation, race and language are called into the Church by the power of the Holy Spirit.

### To do (individually or in pairs)

Imagine you are writing a front page newspaper report about the day of Pentecost.

Include in your report:

- a suitable headline
- details of what happened (see Acts 2:1-16, 37-41)
- quotes from some of the people from different lands
- quotes from people who joined the Church on that day.

**FOLLOWERS OF NAZARENE  
DAZZLE PENTECOST CROWDS**  
All nations understood, says witness

**DRUNK ON WINE AT NINE?**  
Sect leaders are drunkards, say some

**3000 JOIN NEW SECT AFTER  
PREACHING OF GALILEANS**  
Crucified leader has risen, say followers

**LANGUAGE EVERYONE UNDERSTANDS?**  
Experts examine reports from Pentecost crowds

**PRIDE - making yourself 'big', trying to shut God out**  
**UNITY - being together, being one in heart and mind**