

# Crafts

## Craft: Tongues of Fire Headbands

### Materials List:

- Red, orange, and yellow construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue sticks or tape
- Crayons or markers
- Elastic bands or string
- Stapler (optional for adult use)

### Step-by-Step Instructions:

#### 1. Prepare the Base:

- Cut strips of red construction paper approximately 1 inch wide and long enough to fit around a child's head. These will form the base of the headband.

#### 2. Create Flames:

- Use the yellow and orange paper to cut out flame shapes. Each child should have three to five flames of varying sizes, with some in yellow and some in orange.

#### 3. Decorate the Flames:

- Encourage the children to add details to their paper flames using crayons or markers. They might draw additional flame details or write attributes related to the Holy Spirit, such as "Love," "Joy," or "Peace."

#### 4. Assemble the Headband:

- Help the children glue or tape the flames onto the red paper strip. Arrange them with the larger flames in the middle and smaller ones on the sides to resemble "tongues of fire."

#### 5. Adjust Size and Attach:

- Wrap the completed strip around each child's head to size it. Adjust and trim as necessary. Use the stapler (adults only) to join the ends, or tie them together with an elastic band or string, ensuring it fits comfortably.

### How the Activity Reinforces the Lesson:

This craft represents the story from Acts 2 when the Holy Spirit descends upon the apostles as tongues of fire, symbolizing the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. By creating their own "tongues of fire" headbands, students visually and kinesthetically engage with the biblical narrative. It encourages reflection on spiritual gifts and emphasizes the sharing of the Holy Spirit's peace and joy. Moreover, the headbands can be worn during storytelling or worship to reinforce their understanding and memory of the lesson.