Faith Christian Fellowship Principle #2 Supplement B

Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts.

(Ephesians 5:18-19 NLT)

 How did you receive the baptism of the Spirit? Tell us about your experience. (If you haven't yet received, you are in for a blessing)

2. What benefits have you experienced from being filled with the Holy Spirit?

3. How do you use the ability to speak with tongues in your daily life?

♦ The Power of the Spirit:

- Being born of the Spirit and filled with the Spirit are two different things.
 - John 14:17 (in) VS. Acts 1:8 (upon)
 - John 4:13,14 VS. John 7:37-39. The Spirit within compared to the same Spirit going out
- Examples in Acts: Acts 1:4-8 / 2:1-4 / 8:4-8, 14-17 / 9:10-19 / 1 Corinthians 14:18) / Acts 10:44-48 / 19:1-7
- We need a prayer language beyond our own intelligence.
 - Romans 8:26-28
 - 1 Corinthians 14:1-4,14-15
- Practice: There are many ways to receive, but simple faith in God's Word always works.
 - Faith comes from the Word. Acts 2:1-4
 - ◆ They all spoke. When you receive Christ you are as pure as you will ever be.
 - ♦ They did the speaking. God will not speak for you. He will only give you words. You must speak them.
 - Luke 11:9-13
 - Every one receives.
 - It is a gift. There is nothing you can do to deserve it.
 - ♦ All that is required is to ask.
 - Verify their understanding and readiness. Be sure they are Born-Again and that they want the Holy Spirit baptism. Let them ask questions.
 - Read Acts 8:17 "They laid hands on them to receive."
 - Explain what will happen, then do it.
 - Lead them in a prayer confessing Jesus as Lord and asking God to fill them with the Holy Spirit.
 - Lay hands on their forehead and say, "Be filled with the Spirit."
 - Begin to pray in tongues out loud. (Do not allow them to speak in English.)