

tongues but they sounded repetitive. At this time I was living in Calgary, Canada.

Several months later a lady told me there were two people in my life that I should forgive. I did this right away and about one week later felt led to drive from my abode in Calgary out into the country side to a small town called Okotoks ... about one hour drive away.

I spoke in tongues all the way there. Once in the Okotoks area I began to get a sudden release in my heavenly language in that I started to have more variety in tongues and also sing in tongues. I remember the tremendous joy associated with this experience.

It is significant to note that a friend of mine was consistently able to interpret my tongues after the Okotoks trip.

In 1 Corinthians 14 Apostle Paul teaches on tongues and interpretation of tongues. Points that are pertinent here include:-

1. He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself (v.4a).

According to The Hebrew - Greek Key Study Bible (2) the word edify here

means to build, build up, rebuild, strengthen and benefit.

2. Tongues and interpretation of tongues together have the same benefit as prophesy (v.5).

3. Wherefore let him that speaketh in an unknown tongue pray that he may interpret. (v.13)

It is obvious that there is a private side of speaking in tongues and interpretation of tongues as well as a public side.

On one occasion I was walking down a road by myself speaking in tongues and at a certain point the language suddenly changed. With the change in utterance the interpretation became manifest. To this day I can remember the approximate location of this phenomena and also the gist of the interpretation.

In public have also received interpretation of tongues spoken by others. One early example involved an invitation to a person's flat (apartment) for dinner together with others. After the meal one of the men present spoke in tongues and suddenly without warning I realised I had the

interpretation of the tongues uttered.

Method To Receive The Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Speaking In Tongues)

Read Luke 11: 1- 13.

Basically the scripture instructs that if you ask, then you will receive and you will receive a good thing.

A prayer is given below to receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (speaking in tongues). Before you pray that prayer make sure you are born again and have said the sinners' prayer ...see **A PRAYER TO RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS LORD AND SAVIOUR.**

Also laying on of hands is scriptural to receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (speaking in tongues) ... see.. Acts 8 : 17; 9 : 17, 18 (for Paul) Acts 19 : 6

1. Bennett, Dennis and Rita, " The Holy Spirit and You ", Logos (1971).

2. Zodhiates, Spiros, " The Hebrew - Greek Key Study Bible", AMG Publishers (1996).

A PRAYER TO RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS LORD AND SAVIOUR

Dear Jesus, long before I knew how much I needed You, You were there for me. Thank You for loving me so much that You were willing to die on the cross for my sins. You gave everything for me. I give You all that I have, my heart, my life, my love in return. Come and live within me that I might honour You in everything I do, Amen.

To continue as a true believer you must follow the Lord Jesus Christ. This involves regularly: 1. Reading the Bible; 2. Praying to God in Jesus' name; 3. Fellowshiping with other born-again believers.

A PRAYER TO RECEIVE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (SPEAKING IN TONGUES)

Heavenly Father I come to you now, and I come according to your Word and ask you now in Jesus' name to fill me with the Holy Ghost. I thank you Lord that you said in your Word him that asks will receive so that I thank you that I have received the Holy Spirit today. In Jesus' name , Amen .

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Speaking In Tongues Experience

In the New Testament, nine beautiful gifts of the Holy Spirit are listed in 1 Corinthians 12: 8 - 10.

For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

Two words are used commonly in speaking of the gifts (1). One is charisma (or plural, charismata), gift of God's love; the other is phanerosis, manifestation.

The word gift serves to remind us that these blessings cannot be earned but that they are freely given by God to His children.

In my own experience shortly after being born again I started to speak in