Praying the promises through

Cast:

Narrator, good Angel, bad Angel, someone to hold cards

Props:

Signs saying 'That's us' and 'Boo' Paper balls, glitter, sponge ball, bean bags

Story:

Replace XXXX with the name of your church. Tell congregation to shout 'That's us' when XXXX is mentioned and 'Boo' when the Bad angel is standing his ground.

Once upon a time well around now actually in a land not too far away; well very, very close actually there was a Christian Fellowship who had been spending some time thinking about how they were getting along with God.

The fellowship was called XXXX That's us. Now XXXX had a lovely time together, praising God wave arms and singing songs. They were very happy because they knew that God had a plan for them.

Over the years XXXX That's us had prayed to God asking Him what He wanted them to do and what the future held for them. God had given XXXX That's us several promises, they were promises about how much He loved them and what He was going to use them for and what they could become if they were faithful to Him.

Well now XXXX That's us knew what the promises were, but after a while they began to wonder when they would see them coming into fruition. They read the promises over and over again, they put them on acetate to remind themselves what they were, they told people about them, they talked about them, they really, really believed them.

In heaven God gave a message to one of His angels Good Angel forward. Take this promise fulfilment down to the people of XXXX That's us He said. Now the angel loved his job as God's messenger, so he set off straight away with the promise fulfilment safely tucked under his belt. He'd not got very far out of heaven, when one of Satan's angels spotted him. This angel was mean and nasty Boo; he hated God and His angels, and he hated God's people fulfilling their destinies. He went and stood in the way of God's angel Boo. Bad Angel stands in the way of Good Angel.

Now it happened to be a Sunday and XXXX That's us were meeting together down at their building. During a quieter time of worship one of them said a prayer, about God's promises to them. Now as everyone who has read Revelation knows, the prayers of God's people go into a big bowl and go up with incense before God. Satan's angels hate to be reminded of anything that smells like heaven, so God's angel took the prayer and used it against the fallen angel Good Angel throw paper ball at Bad Angel, Bad Angel brush it off.

Satan's angel was a bit put out at this because he hated the smell, but it was only a little one so he brushed it aside and stood with his arms folded in defiance.

Sometime later XXXX That's us were gathered at one of their prayer meetings. They spent a good part of the prayer meeting praying about the promises God had given them. God's angel took the prayer and threw it at his attacker Good Angel throw sponge ball at Bad Angel. Satan's angel didn't like that, it was bigger than the last one, and gave him a headache, but he was determined and he stood his ground Boo.

XXXX That's us were beginning to wonder if they would ever see the promises fulfilled. They didn't understand that God had already answered their prayers, they couldn't see the battle that was going on. They carried on praying here and there, and God's angel carried on using the prayers Good Angel throw two more paper balls and Satan's angel was getting pretty fed up and was seriously considering giving up. But then he thought about what would happen if he did give up. He thought about all the sick people who would get better, he thought about all his fellow Satanic angels who might lose their jobs if people got delivered, he thought about all the new people who would start praising God in XXXX That's us and worst of all - all those new prayers. So, he folded his arms and he stood his ground Boo.

Now various people in XXXX That's us had been thinking about the promises and they'd been talking to God about them and suddenly they understood, and then they knew what to do. They started to pray earnestly. They went to the prayer meetings knowing that it made a difference whether they were there or not, they started to pray when they were driving to work, they started to pray when they were going for a walk, they started to pray after their tea, some of them even got up earlier in the morning and prayed before they went about their day!

Well it was incredible, XXXX That's us prayed about lots of things, because there were lots of battles to be won, some were small battles and some were big battles. When they saw that the small battles had been won, it encouraged them and they prayed even harder about the big battles. But the biggest battle of all, and so the one they prayed most about, was the one to see the promises fulfilled and therefore people being saved.

And the angel of God was delighted, he knew exactly what to do, he now had a mighty weapon to fight Satan's angel with and he took it and used it Good Angel throw bean bags at Bad Angel and Satan's angel ran screaming away from him. And God's angel went as fast as he could and delivered the fulfilment of God's promises to XXXX That's us. Good Angel throw glitter over the congregation and XXXX That's us prayed and praised God more than ever before, because they knew that God was great, and also that there would be new promises to pray through.