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South America Region



Venezuela

The Church of the Nazarene began work in Venezuela in 1982. The beginnings of the work in the country were unique. Before the church in Venezuela was organized, there were Nazarenes in the country because of the radio ministry "La Hora Nazarena" (The Nazarene Hour). Venezuela is a country on the northern coast of South America with diverse natural attractions. Along its Caribbean coast are tropical resort islands including Isla de Margarita and the Los Roques archipelago. The population is approximately 28.44 million and the official language is Spanish.



12,732 Members



95 Fully Organized Churches and 14 Not Yet Fully Organized Churches across 5



137 District Licensed and 57 Ordained Ministers



PRAYER

- Pray for local, district, and national leaders to be strengthened.
- Pray for the economic and social challenges in Venezuela.
- Pray that the Church of the Nazarene reaches every state in the country with the message of salvation and holiness, and effectively uses NMI to spread the call to missions on a national level.
- Pray for the Maximum Mission Project in the Venezuela First District, which is a strategy to discover leadership from the local churches and promote the call to missions.



PRAISE

- We praise God for each local NMI president who promoted participation in the South America Region 40 days of Prayer initiative. The church was united in a unique way this year because of the call to prayer.
- We praise God that the Church of the Nazarene was able to remain faithful in serving others through Nazarene Compassionate Ministries throughout the pandemic.
- We praise God because NMI has been mobilized throughout the country to involve youth and children.

Venezuela Lago District carries out Global Evangelism Day Event



Churches on the Venezuela Lago District joined together to celebrate the Global Day of Evangelism on 28 May 2022.

It was a special time when each local church reached its community, attending to the physical and spiritual needs of the most vulnerable people. The churches separated from their routine, getting out of the four walls of the building to fulfill the task of making disciples.

"We had never had an experience like this," said one of the volunteers. "There were always five or six people out to evangelize, but yesterday all the churches did it together."

Over 500 people of all ages across the district shared the gospel, reaching more than 1,000 people with a message of love and hope. The volunteers felt it was a rewarding experience filled with love, companionship, and teamwork.

The district includes 17 organized churches that carried out different activities in accordance with the volunteers' talents and creativity. Even some of the church-type missions joined in recreational activities, evangelism in the streets, delivery of leaflets and flyers, and a screening of the JESUS Film outdoors.

Teams also shared the gospel with the Wayuu and Yukpa ethnic groups, went house-to-house to spread the Word of God, and used tools such as the evange-cube, ball, hat, and blanket, among others.

The families and people in the communities were receptive and shared about the joy this activity brought them. "We liked it very much," said the Flores family. "They must do it more often."

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