

Venezuela is in Crisis

Inflation, violence, rationing, inconsistent utilities, failing public education and medical care are normal circumstances in Venezuela, once one of the wealthiest countries in Latin America.



40% OF TOWNS HAVE NO CHURCH

CHURCH LEADERS SERVING WITH LITTLE TRAINING

64% LIVE IN EXTREME POVERTY

MINIMUM WAGE: \$3.50 PER MONTH

HIGHEST TEEN PREGNANCY RATE IN LATIN AMERICA

INFLATION HIGHEST IN THE HEMISPHERE

LIMITED MEDICAL CARE + MEDICATIONS AVAILABLE

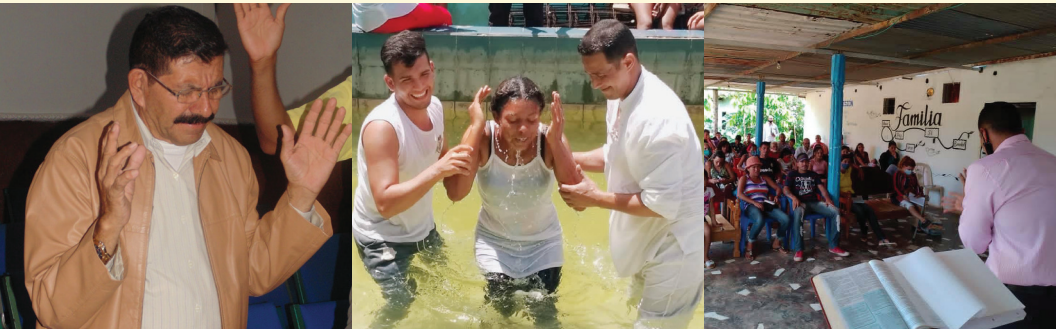
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Venezuelans are Hungry for Hope

In the midst of the crisis, the Venezuelan people are resilient and thirsting for the Word of God.

Only the Church of Jesus Christ can provide the hope they long for. Venezuela Now has invested over 20 years equipping and empowering the Church in Venezuela to transform the nation. These churches are providing Hope to a secular nation. The Protestant Church in Venezuela has grown from 2% of the population in 2002 to more than 20% today.

As a new Venezuela emerges from this crisis, the Church will lead from strength, positioned to shape the future for Christ.



Venezuela Now is a non-profit organization based in the United States that supports the work of the Church in Venezuela in creating self-sustaining ministries.

OUR ROLE IS TO...

Resource

Provide financial, in kind and teaching resources

Advocate

Pray for the Venezuelan people and share their story in the U.S.

Advise

Walk alongside Venezuelan ministry leaders and the donors that support them

Venezuela Now began as a ministry to train church leaders to spread God's Word in this secular nation.

Dr. Warren Lathem, a long-time supporter of missionaries and short-term mission initially travelled to Venezuela to preach an evangelistic crusade, but Venezuelans craved more.

They asked for a seminary to provide theological education to young leaders.

The Seminary was established in 2002 and since that time almost 1000 students have enrolled. Students from the Seminary have formed hundreds of new churches and outreach ministries. As well, Seminary students launched and lead some of the ministries shown in these pages that are supported by Venezuela Now.

Learn how God is at work in Venezuela at www.venezuelanow.org/ministries

INSPIRE



SEMINARIO WESLEYANO
DE VENEZUELA

Venezuela Now's primary goal is to strengthen local churches through the training of pastoral leaders at the Wesleyan Seminary of Venezuela. Pre-seminary, undergraduate and master's degree programs are offered on campus and through online programs.





...we exist as a Seminary so that everyone who enters our doors has an encounter with God, get to know him and experience a changed life.”

DEAN HILDE



EXPANDING MINISTRY EDUCATION

ONLINE

In 2021, a new interactive online platform was launched making classes available to students throughout Venezuela unable to reach the campus. Offsite computer labs facilitate internet access as well as provide a sense of community for the remote students. There are even students enrolled from other Spanish speaking countries.



A GIFT OF \$100 PROVIDES BOOKS AND MATERIALS FOR A STUDENT FOR A YEAR.





HEAL

**As a pastor and pediatrician, Dr. Maria envisioned
God's will being done through a faith based medical center.**

Venezuela's economic crisis has further restricted access to affordable health care.

People die from non-life threatening issues due to lack of care and the scarcity of insulin, antibiotics and basic medications. Without the Wesley Medical Center thousands would be unable to receive the medical care they so desperately need.

Uniquely, a patients' medical care includes pastoral and spiritual care.

With the support of Venezuela Now, the first Protestant medical center in Venezuela was begun in 2014 providing low-cost medical care. In addition, medicines are provided at no cost to the patient. Over 45,000 patients were treated in 2020. In 2021, a fourth location was opened, increasing total medical staffing to 60 people including an internist, psychologist, cardiologist and gastroenterologist.



In order to meet more of the patient needs,
The Wesley Medical Center and Venezuela Now envision
a 45 bed full service hospital ministering healing
and hope to the people of Venezuela.



A GIFT OF \$200
PROVIDES THE
SALARY FOR
A DOCTOR FOR
A MONTH.

PROTECT

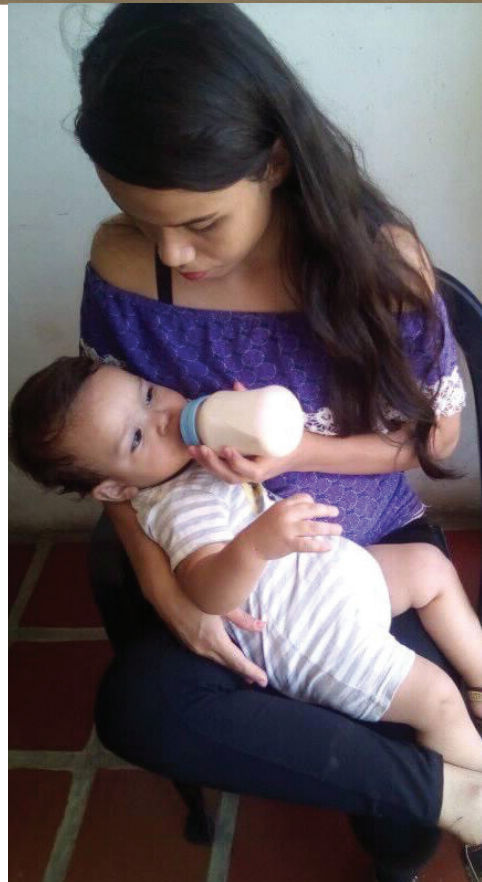
Una Esperanza (One Hope) Ministry to Vulnerable Girls

There is an epidemic of babies having babies. Most of these young girls are very poor and have been sexually molested and abandoned. STD's and HIV/AIDS are rampant. There is minimal access to birth control or medical care. With little education and no means of a livelihood, they have little hope.

Through Una Esperanza, Hope is offered to at risk girls and mothers and babies are provided scarce infant formula offering them a better future.



A GIFT OF \$500 PROVIDES
FOR A NORMAL BIRTH WITH
PRE- AND POST-NATAL CARE



NURTURE

Casa Hogar: Luz de Esperanza Children's Home

The economic crisis has left many children homeless in the streets. Pastor Yolanda, a Seminary graduate, built a home for children abandoned by their parents.

Not only are the children in the home ministered to, those in the community are also ministered to with God's Word, distribution of clothing and food, and hygiene education.



A GIFT OF \$39 PROVIDES SUPPORT
FOR ONE CHILD FOR A MONTH

NOURISH

Food & Medicine Crate Ministry

The economic crisis has brought scarcity and hyperinflation making many of the basic needs of the average Venezuelan unattainable. In partnership with humanitarian aid organizations, Venezuela Now has access to a wide variety of medicines and basic nutrition at highly discounted rates.

To make a difference, Venezuela Now successfully ships food, medicine, infant formula and supplies to Venezuela from the US. It has all arrived safely and it is distributed through local ministries to those in greatest need.

Churches and donors in the US have sent a cumulative total of over \$7 million in medicine, equipment and supplies. In just 4 years, as the crisis has deepened, food for over 2.6 million meals has been shipped.



A GIFT OF \$90 PROVIDES
LIFE SUSTAINING INFANT
FORMULA FOR ONE CHILD
FOR A MONTH.





Make a Difference
LEARN • PRAY • GIVE

Learn

**Just hearing the story of what God is doing
in Venezuela will make a difference.**

Visit www.venezuelanow.org for additional resources or sign up
for the email newsletter on the 'Contact Us' page of the site.

Pray

**Prayer has accomplished much for the Venezuelan people
and your continued prayers are needed.**

PEOPLE OF VENEZUELA

For hope during
unimaginable civil and
economic upheaval

WESLEY MEDICAL CENTER

Pandemic healthcare
and shortages of
medical supplies

VENEZUELAN LEADERS

For clarity of ministry
vision and perseverance
in difficult times

WESLEYAN SEMINARY

Provision of additional students and growth in online learning while
maintaining the distinctive Spiritual Formation approach

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