

CARMEN RIVERA

Address and Contact Information:

Business:

Ministerio Vida Nueva
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Credentials:

Ordained by Nicaraguan National Council of the Assemblies of God (1984)
Ordained by General Council of the Assemblies of God (USA) through the South Pacific
Latin American District (2009)

Special Skills:

Bicultural (Hispanic and American cultures)

Education:

Doctor of Ministry, April 2018
Dallas Theological Seminary,
Dallas, Tx

Master of Divinity, September 2005
Fuller Theological Seminary,
Pasadena, CA

Master of Arts in Pastoral studies, May 2002
Haggard Graduate School of Theology at Azusa Pacific University,
Azusa, CA

Bachelor of Theology, April 1994
Latin American Theological Seminary
La Puente, CA

Diploma in Ministerial Studies, May 1984
Instituto Biblico Ebenezer
Managua, Nic

Ministerial/Professional Experience:

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Vida Nueva Ministry
1661 E. Cypress St. Covina, CA 91724
Position: Pastor
Duties: Responsible for the preaching and teaching of the Word of the God. Also, general administration and management of the daily church affairs, organization and planning, development, budget and supervision of the financial affairs of the church. In addition, work as a Counselor and adviser, and leadership training and development of lay workers for the various church departments.

2019- present
Azusa Pacific Seminary
Azusa Pacific University, 901 E. Alostia Ave., PO Box 7000,
Azusa, CA 91702-7000

Position: Adjunct professor
Duties: Teach in the Hispanic Program

2003- present
Latin American Theological Seminary (LATS)
14209 E. Lomitas Ave. La Puente, CA 91746

Position: Assistant Academic Dean
Duties: Daily operations of the LATS office.
Oversee the Th. B. academic program for Hispanics (Application process, admission and orientation process). Coordinate meetings, conferences, and seminars.
Adjunct Professor

2000- Present
Latin American Bible Institute (LABI)
Position: Adjunct Professor

2000-2005
Latin American Bible Institute (LABI)
14209 E. Lomitas Ave. La Puente, CA 91746

Position: Assistant Academic Dean of Extension

Duties: Daily operations of the LABI office.
Oversee the Two Years Diploma in Biblical Studies, for Hispanics (recruitment, application process, admission and orientation process).
Coordinate meetings, conferences, and seminars.

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National Women Ministries
Conferencia Evangelica A/D

Managua Nicaragua
Position: District Coordinator

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Evangelistic Center Church
Managua, Nicaragua

Position: Pastor Assistant

Duties: Responsible for the preaching and teaching of the Word of God. Also, general administration and management of the daily church affairs, organization and planning, development, budget and supervision of the financial affairs of the church. Headed the leadership training and development of lay workers for the various church departments.

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The Lamb of God Church
Tipitapa, Nicaragua

Position: Pastor Assistant

Duties: Responsible for preaching and teaching the Word of the Lord, general administration and management of the daily church affairs, organization and planning, development, budget and supervision of the financial affairs of the church. In addition, worked as a counselor, adviser, leadership training and development of lay workers for the various church departments.

Academic Experience

2003 – 2021

Adjunct Professor, Latin American Theological Seminary
(Th. B Program)
La Puente, CA

2000 – 2021

Adjunct Professor, Latin American Bible Institute
(Diploma in Ministerial Studies)
La Puente, CA

A specific listing of courses previously taught:

Women in the Bible and Church History
Missional Church
The Pastor and His Community

Biblical Ethics
Biblical Methods Research
Cultural Anthropology
Theology of the Holy Spirit
Pastoral Theology
New Testament Theology
Old Testament Theology
Systematic Theology I
Systematic Theology II
History & Literature of the Old Testament
History & Literature of the New Testament

Cross-Cultural Ministry Experience:

I have made trips to several Latin American countries, Japan, Australia and Israel. I have assisted in teaching, preaching, training and equipping leadership of several churches in different themes, issues and projects.

Service/Community Experience:

1996, 1997, 1998	Outreach in the ‘barrio’ (poor neighborhoods) of the Azusa city, especially in working with children of this community.
2000, 2001	Ministry in Jails, in the city of Tijuana, specially with women and children in jail.

References:

Dr. Sergio Navarrete
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Relationship: Professor, Colleague

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