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Nedelka Cano Gutierrez

H E R S T O R Y

Nedelka was raised by separated parents. She grew up with her father and six brothers. In 1991, when Nedelka was 11, her older brother shared the Gospel with her and she received Christ. Nedelka married her husband, Luis, in 1997. **In 2003, God led them to the Word of Life Institute in Argentina, where they studied for three years, getting grounded in Scripture, training for ministry, growing in their faith, and enriching their marriage.** Nedelka and Luis started working with Word of Life Panama in December 2006 and served together faithfully until 2020, when Luis was diagnosed with cancer. He fought valiantly until the Lord called him home in March 2023. He is, and will always be, dearly missed. Even with the absence of Luis, Nedelka continues to serve with Word of Life Panama.

In 2013, Luis and Nedelka took in two girls, Marcia and Janeth, from ANA Panama's transition home. The arrangement was originally temporary, but the following year Luis and Nedelka committed to providing a permanent home for the girls. Marcia graduated from university in January 2024. Janeth made Nedelka a grandma in July 2023 with the birth of a baby boy, Alberto, named in memory of Luis. The primary focus of WOL is youth evangelism and discipleship. WOL accomplishes this through their summer camp program (*January-March*), and various other camps throughout the year, such as sports, college & career, marriage & family, women and leadership retreats. They also share the gospel in public schools, jails, hospitals, orphanages and Indian villages through puppet shows, musicals, and dramas. Their main avenue for discipleship is through youth Bible Clubs. **The Bible Chapel has partnered with the Nedelka since 2016.**

February 2026

P R A I S E

- I give thanks to the Lord because:
- The youth and children's camps this season in Chame 2026 are proving to be a great blessing.
- On Monday, February 2nd, an accident occurred involving one of the buses transporting 26 young people between the ages of 12 and 17, along with their chaperone. Although the collision was severe, none suffered serious injuries, only minor bumps and bruises from the impact. God protected them.
- For the life of Fernando Ascencio, who was a close friend of my family. I am sure that he is now with the Lord, sharing his life with my husband. Heaven is filling up with my favorite people.
- In May I will have the opportunity to travel to Spain for 18 days, specifically to Andalusia. There I will meet in person some aunts who gave me the tickets for my sister and me.

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- For the remaining three weeks of camp in February: may there be care, salvation, and consecration.
- In March we will resume work at the city office. Let us pray for this process and for the continuation of the ministry there.
- The hotel wasn't ready for the camp, but we pray that it will soon be available for future activities. In April, we will have a regional conference with the Word of Life missionaries.
- For my financial support: I currently have 65% of what I need. I pray for new friends to join me in support and for constant provision for those who already accompany me on this journey.
- For Marcia and Janeth, who still don't have permanent jobs. They continue to do short-term work such as dog and babysitting in our community.
- For Janeth and Alberto, who live with me. I ask for prayer for Janeth's heart and decisions, and for provision so that she can begin a university career.
- By Abel Herrera, who is already progressing in his theological studies in Guatemala.
- For Christopher Rodriguez, that the Lord may provide what is necessary so that he may continue his studies and advance in his ministerial calling.