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INTRODUCTION

This directory is the result of a long process of investigation about religious groups in the Americas that began in 1997 as part of the **Latin American Socio-Religious Studies Program (Programa Latinoamericano de Estudios Sociorreligiosos, PROLADES)** under the directorship of Clifton L. Holland, who resides in San Jose, Costa Rica.

From 1990 to 1997 Holland coordinated a multi-disciplinary team in a study of ethnic and religious diversity of the **Greater Los Angeles Metropolitan Area (GLAMA)** from offices on the campus of the William Carey International University in Pasadena, California. One of the main results of this investigation was the creation of a database of all known religious groups in GLAMA and the production of a series of research reports on each of the seven regions of GLAMA. **The GLAMA database** included more than 12,500 listings for the five-county area, which include parts of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside and Ventura counties.

Whereas Holland had previously done extensive research on the growth and development of the Protestant movement in about 25 countries of the Americas, with a special focus on the Central American region since 1970, the GLAMA research project created a need to develop a **classification system of all known religious groups in the world** in order to understand the phenomena of religious diversity present in GLAMA, which has become the new major port of entry for immigrants from around the world to the USA.

Consequently, Holland decided to utilize the classification system developed by Dr. J. Gordon Melton in ***The Encyclopedia of American Religions*** (New York: Gale Research and Triumph Books, 1989) based on a typology of major religious traditions and denominational families and subfamilies. As a result, all of the religious groups in the GLAMA database were classified by Holland using Melton's typology, and certain modifications were made in the typology to accommodate Spanish-speaking denominations and independent churches. For information about this important study, see: <http://www.prolades.com/prolades1/glama/glama-home2.htm>

After the GLAMA research project was completed in 1997, Holland returned to his home in Costa Rica to begin a new phase of his research activities: a study of all religious groups in every country of the Americas. This new project was named **RITA, Religion-In-The-Americas**, and it coincided with the development of the Internet and the availability of more sophisticated computer systems, which enabled Holland and his associates to better coordinate their activities via e-mail and to develop a better delivery system for information sharing via the Internet and the World Wide Web. The end result was the current PROLADES website at www.prolades.com that contains pages for each country of the Americas, plus Spain and Portugal, and an on-line search engine to access information in the RITA database: <http://www.prolades.com/searchengine/>

Now that all of the known religious groups in the Americas and the Iberian Peninsula (Spain and Portugal) have been identified and classified by Holland and his colleagues, we have begun the process of **creating working hardcopy directories for each country** in order to speed up the task of verifying and updating the information contained in the RITA database, as well as making the information available to the general public in Adobe Acrobat Reader format (pdf).

If you would like to assist us in the process, please go to the **Country Research Associate (CRA)** section of the **PROLADES website** to learn more about how you can be involved: <http://www.prolades.com/prolades1/cra/cra-home.htm>

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--The PROLADES Team

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PROFILE OF RELIGION IN VENEZUELA

Religious Affiliation Today

According to government estimates in 2006, 70% of the population was **Roman Catholic**, 29% was **Protestant** [usually erroneously defined as **all non-Roman Catholic Christians**, including Eastern Orthodox, Protestants and "Marginal Christian Groups," such as Mormons and Jehovah's Witnesses], and the remaining 1% practiced **Other Religions** or claimed **No Religion**.

On the other hand, the Evangelical Council of Venezuela (CEV) estimated that **Evangelical Protestants** constituted approximately 10% of the population. A variety of "Christian" foreign missionary groups operated in the country, including Catholics, Evangelicals and Marginal Christian groups (mainly Jehovah's Witnesses and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints or Mormons).

However, a public opinion poll conducted in December 2000 for the World Values Survey ("Encuesta Mundial de Valores," published in *Diario El Universal*, 14 October 2001) found that only 65.6% of the population claimed to be **Roman Catholics**, 5.24% were **Protestants**, 1.17% were members of **Marginal Christian groups** (Jehovah's Witnesses, Mormons and others), 1.0% were affiliated with **Other Religions**, and an amazing 27.0% stated they had **No Religious Affiliation**. The 2000 World Values Survey also reported that only 19.89% of the total population were "practicing Catholics" (attended Mass at least once a week), compared to 65.6% who claimed to be Roman Catholic.

The 1.0% affiliated with **Other Religions** included followers of Eastern Orthodox, Western Roman Catholic (some affiliated with the Vatican and others not), Buddhism, Hinduism, Sikh, Sant Mat, Islam, Bahai, Judaism, Chinese Religions, Animistic (including Native American and Afro-American spirituality), Ancient Wisdom-Occult Orders, and Psychic-Spiritualist-New Age traditions. **NOTE:** In my opinion, the 1% figure for this category is too low; probably, 3% is more realistic, given the reported size of those affiliated with the traditions mentioned here.

Further scientific research needs to be done on religious affiliation in Venezuela to clarify the present situation and to explain the vast differences between these polling results compared to previous polls and government estimates, especially regarding those with **No Religious Affiliation**. For example, a religion poll sponsored by Tim Steigenga and David Smilde, conducted by Consultores 21, found the following: **Catholic 87.0%, Protestant 5.8%, Other Religions 1.2% and None/No Response 6.1%**. Steigenga clarified that he and Smilde collected data from two Consultores 21 polls (August 1998 and January 1999), with 1,500 cases randomly drawn from cities with over 20,000 inhabitants from across the country. Steigenga stated, "I would estimate that the Protestant figure for Venezuela is somewhere between 7 and 10% now" (October 2000).

Demographics

The National Statistics Institute (INE) population estimate for 31 January 2007 was 27,750,163 inhabitants, distributed among 23 states and the Federal District. The country has an area of 352,144 square miles and about 85% of the national population live in urban areas in the northern portion of the country, near the Caribbean coast. Whereas almost half of Venezuela's land area lies south of the Orinoco River, this region contains only 5% of the nation's total population.

According to the 2005 CIA World Factbook, Venezuela's main ethnic components are Spanish, followed by Italian, Portuguese, Arab (especially Lebanese and Syrian), German, French, African, Indigenous people, and smaller communities of Chinese, Japanese, East Indian, Eastern European and Anglo-American descent.

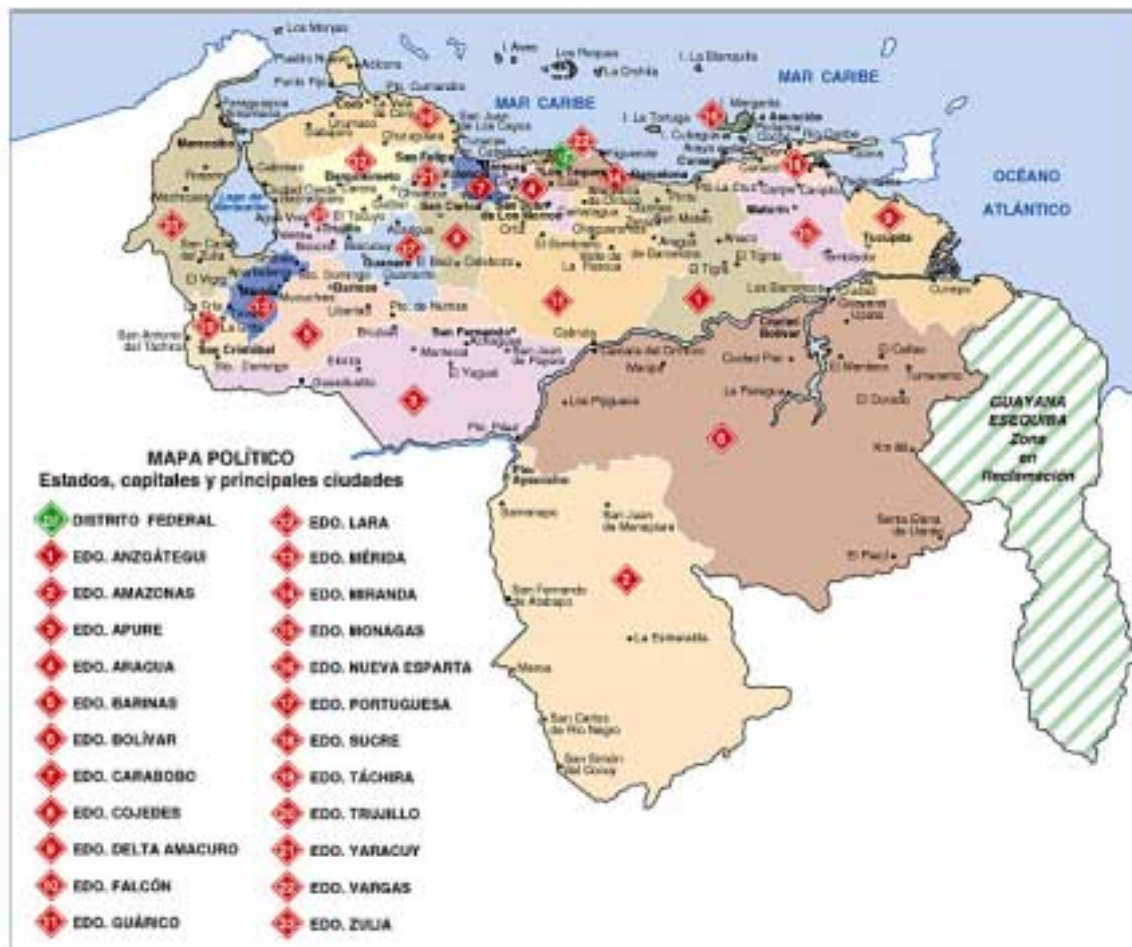
A recent study on racial groups showed that 60% of the population are **Mestizo** (mixed race between Caucasian, African and Amerindian), 29% **Caucasian** (mostly Spaniards, Italians, Germans and

Portuguese), 8% **African**, 1% **Asian** (Chinese, Japanese, Vietnamese, Korean, and Middle Easterners) and 2% **Amerindian**.

The national and official language is Spanish, although 31 Indigenous languages are spoken also. Immigrant communities and their descendents commonly use their own native languages.

The Venezuelan people comprise a combination of heritages. The Amerindians, Spanish colonists and imported African slaves were joined by sponsored European groups and others from neighbouring countries in South America during waves of immigration in the 20th century. There are also various communities from Eastern Europe such as the Czech Republic, Poland, Romania, Ukraine, Lithuania, Latvia, Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece and Hungary. There are Venezuelans whose ancestors came from the USA when 10,000 expatriates arrived after the Civil War (1865). The multi-racial/ethnic combination is evident in Venezuelan culture (in food, music, clothing, holidays and the *mestizaje* identity).

MAP OF VENEZUELA BY STATES



Historical Overview of Venezuela

The territory of present-day Venezuela was inhabited by an array of Indigenous peoples in prehistoric times. Along the Caribbean coast dwelt the Carib peoples (including Tamaques, Maquiritares and Arecunas), while very different Amerindian groups settled in the mountains and in the Orinoco river basin of the interior, mainly Arawaks.

Geographically, Venezuela is a land of vivid contrasts, with four major divisions: the Venezuelan highlands, the coastal lowlands, the basin of the Orinoco River, and the Guiana Highlands.

The coast of Venezuela was discovered by Christopher Columbus during his third voyage, on 1 August 1498. Its name, meaning "Little Venice," was given it by reason of the fact that Alonso de Ojeda, who first explored the coast in 1499, found a small aboriginal village built on stilts in the region of Lake Maracaibo. Modified into *Venezuela*, the name afterwards served to designate the whole territory of the captaincy general. Spanish settlements were established on the coast at Cumaná in 1520 and Santa Ana de Coro in 1527. The Spanish conquest was complete by 1600.

The Spanish settled mainly along the coast and began to build an agricultural colony based on cacao production, for which they imported slaves from Africa. Since then Venezuela has developed a regularly organized society with peculiar ethnic characteristics and a distinctive national culture.

The colony was under the administration of governors and captains general during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. In 1718 colonial authorities organized the Viceroyalty of New Granada, with Venezuela as its easternmost region under a captaincy general. Much of the movement for the independence of South America from Spain originated in Venezuela.

Venezuela was Spain's most successful agricultural colony, first with cacao and then, towards the end of the 18th century, coffee. The battles for Independence were fought between 1749 and 1830, during which Simón Bolívar became a national hero and built his dream of Gran Colombia (from what is today Ecuador, Colombia, Panama, northern Peru and Venezuela), only to have it broken again in 1830, when General José Antonio Páez declared Venezuela a republic. Much of the decay in the old colonial forts took place after this time, as they were considered anti-republican. Further economic growth was slow until 1914, when an extensive oil deposit was discovered near Maracaibo, in the northwestern State of Zulia, near the Colombian border. Since 1918, Dutch, British and American companies have developed the astonishingly rich oil fields found in several regions of the country.

This transformed the Venezuelan economy, and today this nation is the third largest producer in OPEC, with particularly large reserves of heavy bitumen in the south-eastern Orinoco belt. The extra revenue meant that the road system could be developed to become the envy of South America, and Caracas and other central cities were virtually rebuilt. After a string of dictators, democracy was established in 1958 and has continued to the present day with elections every five years.

The dependence on oil revenues has meant that other sectors such as agriculture and tourism have been under-developed and with the late 1970's fall in oil prices inflation has risen somewhat from the previous 10% levels, as successive governments realized they must diversify the economy. The discovery of very rich iron ore deposits, as well as gold, diamonds and nickel, has meant that the mining sector has been the most buoyant part of the economy since about 1984.

Early Roman Catholic History

Within the present Roman Catholic diocese of Barquisimeto is included the territory of Coro, which was the first Episcopal See of the country. It was at Coro that the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was first celebrated on Venezuelan soil in 1527, under a myrrh tree. The cross that was used for the altar on this occasion was carefully preserved, and in 1864 Juan Crisóstomo Falcón restored it and erected a monument to it in the same city.

The first Roman Catholic Bishop of Venezuela, don **Rodrigo de Bastidas** (1532-1542), was chosen by Pope Clement VII in 1531; the bishop's diocese was the provincial capital of Coro. The first Spanish fort was built at Cumaná, founded in 1550 by Aragon monks and French Jesuits. Caracas was founded in 1567 in the hills above the port of La Guaira, and the capital was transferred there in 1577. The main method of conquest thereafter was through missionary zeal during the Spanish colonial period in which

no other religions were tolerated. The Diocese of Caracas was founded in 1637 and was elevated to an archdiocese in 1803. Other dioceses established prior to 1900 were: Mérida (1778); Ciudad Bolívar (1790) and Maracaibo (1897).

The **Society of Jesus** (SJ) or **Jesuits** operated along the extensive Orinoco River basin from 1628 until their expulsion in 1767. The **Order of Friars Minor** (OFM) or **Franciscans**, as well as the **Order of Preachers** (OP) or **Dominicans**, had the chief part in building the new civilization among a vast wilderness populated by scores of Amerindian tribes. In Venezuela, "they exercised their ministry with fruitful results; and when the Conquest was completed, they still continued their mission with the greatest zeal." The **Order of Friars Minor Capuchin** (OFM Cap) or **Capuchins** arrived in 1658, and many of the settlements were founded by them and reached a high degree of prosperity under their direction.

By 1662 Roman Catholic authorities had established five official zones for evangelization of the Amerindians: Llanos de Caracas, from the mouth of the Tuy River to Lake Maracaibo; Alto Orinoco Río Negro; Guayana, in the extreme eastern part of Venezuela; Trinidad; and Maracaibo. In 1734, the territory of Alto Orinoco was divided among the Capuchines, Franciscans and Jesuits.

By the middle of the XVIII century, the Dominicans were responsible for 18 towns in Barinas and Río Chico; the Franciscans 80 towns in Barcelona and Guayana; the Capuchines 108 towns in the Llanos de Caracas, 43 in Cumaná, 34 in Caroní, 26 in Maracaibo and 19 in Alto Orinoco; the Jesuits 6 in the Llanos del Meta and the Orinoco.

Independence Period and the Decline of Roman Catholic Influence

The first decisive step toward political emancipation taken by the country was the Conspiracy of 19 April 1810, by means of which it was wrested from the control of the captain general, Vicente Empran. The definitive **Declaration of Independence** was issued on 5 July 1811.

This Declaration contains the following confession of faith: "Taking the Supreme Being as witness to the justice of our actions and the rectitude of our intentions; imploring His Divine and heavenly aid, and protesting before Him, in the moment of our birth to that dignity which His Providence restores to us, our desire to live and die free; believing and maintaining the *Holy Catholic and Apostolic Religion of Jesus Christ* as the first of our duties. . ."

However, the first Protestant efforts in Venezuela began during this period. Agents of the British and Foreign Bible Society made their first visit in 1819, followed by additional visits in 1825 and 1854. The first Anglican church services were held in 1832, along with the establishment of an Anglican cemetery.

The War of Independence ended with the battle of Carabobo, won by the Liberator Simón Bolívar on 24 June 1821. When the Republic of Colombia, formed by Bolívar out of the States of Nueva Granada, Ecuador and Venezuela, was dismembered, the latter became the Republic of Venezuela in 1830.

From 1830 to 1846, Venezuela was ruled by José Antonio Páez, "either as president or the master of presidents," according to historian Herbert Herring, returning as the outright dictator in 1861-1863. Despite the interruption of five armed uprisings, Páez made some progress in organizing the country, providing funds for the national treasury, encouraging agriculture and industry, promoting a little immigration, and building a few schools. Páez handled problems concerning the Roman Catholic Church with moderation and skill, maintaining the State's right to patronage and abolishing tithes and special ecclesiastical courts, while assuring national support of the clergy and respect for their services to the nation. Venezuelans accord him a place second only to Bolívar among national heroes.

However, conflicts between the ecclesiastical and civil authorities occurred in the earliest period of the Republic's existence. The first of these arose out of the refusal of **Ramón Ignacio Méndez, the Archbishop of Caracas**, to swear allegiance, without qualification, fully, and in the form prescribed by the Constituent Congress, to the Constitution ratified in 1830. This refusal, based chiefly on the absence from the Constitution of any explicit recognition of Catholicism as the religion of the State, resulted, in

spite of endeavors on the part of the government to solve the difficulty amicably, in the exile of the archbishop, together with Mariano Talavera y Garces (titular Bishop of Tricala, Vicar Apostolic of Guayana) and Buenaventura Arias (titular Bishop of Jericho, Vicar Apostolic of Mérida), who associated themselves with their archbishop. The exile lasted seventeen months; the prelates (with the exception of Mgr. Arias, who died 21 November 1831) returning in April 1832, after reaching an understanding with the government.

Another conflict, with Archbishop Méndez, arose in 1836. The result was another exile for the archbishop, who embarked for Curacao on 30 November 1830, never to return, as he died on Colombian territory on 6 August 1839.

The period 1846-1870 was one of political turmoil and civil strife between Conservatives and Liberals, with episodes of press censorship and severe treatment of political dissidents. Intermittent civil war laid waste the countryside, with Liberals denouncing the Catholic Church and clergy, demanding regional autonomy in place of strong central government and denouncing dictatorship. The Conservatives defended order, religion and property, while the Liberals proclaimed radical ideals inspired by contemporary European revolutionary thought.

Under the rule of **President Antonio Guzmán Blanco** (1870-1888), who imposed order by the armed forces and handled his antagonists ruthlessly, the country achieved increased material prosperity through the development of the coffee industry and tariff reductions that cleared the way for enlarged trade. A Grand Master of the Freemasons, Guzmán was a stout foe of the Roman Catholic Church. His anticlericalism was fueled by a conflict with the Archbishop of Caracas, who refused to celebrate a Mass in his honor. The dictator retaliated by abolishing convents and monasteries, confiscating Church property, decreeing State control of education, and finally attempting to establish a national Church independent of the Vatican. These measures provoked such widespread indignation among the loyal Catholic population that he found it expedient, after 1876, to temper his policies.

In 1886 the government itself introduced into Venezuela the **Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph of Tarbes** and entrusted to them the service of the hospitals. The sisters founded educational establishments for girls, which are still considered among the best of their kind in the country. The two best are at Caracas; but the congregation also has efficiently conducted colleges at Valencia, Puerto Cabello and Barquisimeto.

Later on, another congregation of **Sisters of Charity, those of St. Anne (Spanish)**, established themselves at Maracaibo, Mérida, and Ciudad Bolívar. Other institutes of women began to appear in the country, devoted to the service of charity, catechetical teaching, and, in some degree, the contemplative life, but no cloistered. Among these may be mentioned the **Little Sisters of the Poor of Maiquetia**, the **Servants of the Most Holy Sacrament**, and the **Franciscan Sisters**. All of these work with great abnegation for the respective objects of their institutes, and do a great deal to maintain the influence of religion among the people.

With a view to providing for the "evangelization of the aborigines," some thousands of whom still lived as savages in the regions of the Orinoco River basin, the government invited **Capuchin monks** to Venezuela in 1891. Their work among the Amerindians was not successfully completed, but the Capuchins did very meritorious work as missionaries, assisting prelates in their apostolic journeys, preaching to the people in many districts, and greatly fostering piety in the cities where they were stationed. They established residences at Caracas and Maracaibo.

At the invitation of the government, the **Society of St. Francis de Sales**, also known as **Salesians of Don Bosco**, came to Venezuela in 1894. They established themselves in Caracas and later founded a college at Valencia and another at Maracaibo.

In 1899 the Spanish **Order of the Augustinian Recollects** came to Venezuela and were utilized by the bishops in parochial work. They were employed in the Archdiocese of Caracas and the Dioceses of Guayana and Zulia.

In 1903, at the invitation of the government, the **Sons of Mary Immaculate** established themselves at Caracas, where they were known as the French Fathers. There they established a college and at the same time provided valuable assistance to the clergy of the capital in the care of parishioners.

In the same year, the **Dominican Fathers**, also under government protection, took possession of the Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Caracas. They were highly esteemed by society at large and gained the appreciation of the archbishop. Certain members of their community taught in the Catholic Seminary in Caracas.

After a long absence caused by their expulsion by Charles III in 1767, the **Jesuits** returned to Venezuela in 1916. The apostolic mission that summoned them had the purpose of contributing to the rescue of the Roman Catholic Church in Venezuela. The influence that Catholicism had in the colonial period was disappearing because of its participation in internal political fights, which weakened its organizational capacity and social control, while the anticlerical measures of **President Antonio Guzmán Blanco** were being applied. When the Jesuits returned to Venezuela, they began to direct three fundamental institutions that became the instruments of that apostolic mission: the Seminary, the San Francisco Church and the San Ignacio School.

New Religious Developments in the 19th and 20th Centuries

Of the 2,713,703 inhabitants in 1910, only 3,361 were Protestants and 247 were Jews. During this period, Protestants began to spread their doctrines among the people, but the government, by a decree on 24 October 1911, tried to put a stop to this by designating exactly the limits within which, according to the Constitution, representatives of other religions could exercise their ministerial functions.

Despite these limitations, **Protestant religious organizations** arrived in Venezuela to begin missionary work among native Venezuelans and among the growing immigrant population of Italians, Germans, English, French and others during the later part of the 19th century and early part of the 20th century.

Protestant Organizations. Anglican Church services were first established in 1834, along with an Anglican cemetery; a British chaplaincy existed from 1834 until 1982, when Venezuela became an extraprovincial diocese to Province IX of the Episcopal Church in the USA. The first German Lutheran pastor arrived in Venezuela in 1865 and a Protestant Council was formed in 1870 among foreign residents, mainly Germans and Englishmen. The Messiah Methodist Church was established in Caracas in 1878, later affiliated with the Presbyterians. The American Bible Society established permanent work in 1887. The first Plymouth Brethren missionaries from England arrived in 1889 and established their first congregation in Caracas in 1890; this work, known as "Brethren Gathered in the Name of Jesus," later received assistance from the Missions Service Committee of Canada and the USA-based Christian Missions in Many Lands. The first Christian and Missionary Alliance workers arrived in 1890. The first Evangelical Lutheran Church was established in 1893 by pastor Ramin Beelitz, followed by pastor Heinrich Voigt in 1904. The Presbyterian Church USA sent their first missionaries to Venezuela in 1897, which was the same year that the Hebron Institute and Missionary Association arrived. In 1898, the Swedish Evangelical Free Church in the USA sent its first workers, followed by the Evangelical Mission of South America in 1899; these two missions merged in 1920 and created the Evangelical Free Church, which is known today as ADIEL (Asociación de Iglesias Evangélicas Libres de Venezuela), formed in 1953. The Scandinavian Alliance Mission, later known as The Evangelical Alliance Mission (TEAM), arrived in 1906; the national church body is known today as OVICE (Organización Venezolana de Iglesias Cristianas Evangélicas), created in 1966.

The first Pentecostal missionaries arrived in Venezuela in 1910, later affiliated with the Assemblies of God Foreign Mission. The first Seventh-day Adventist workers arrived the same year. In 1911, the British and Foreign Bible Society established a permanent office in Caracas. In 1914, an independent missionary, Dr. Van Eding, began his work in Venezuela, which later became the Orinoco River Mission; the affiliated national church body is called ASIGEO (Asociación de Iglesias Evangélicas del Oriente). Two additional Pentecostal missions entered Venezuela in 1919: Bethel Pentecostal Assembly and missionary G. F.

Bender who became affiliated with the United World Mission in 1947. In 1920, the Evangelical Free Church of North America arrived, which became part of ADIEL in 1953. Baptist Mid-Missions arrived in 1924. Northern Baptist missionaries began work in Carúpano in 1926, but this effort later became part of the Southern Baptist mission. In 1927, the Apostolic Missionary Evangelical Christian Church was formed, also known as The Native Churches of Apure, founded by Aristides Díaz. In 1929, missionary Jacob Feuerstein began an independent Pentecostal work in El Tocuyo, which later became part of the United World Mission in 1947.

RELATIVE SIZE OF MAJOR RELIGIOUS GROUPS, ESTIMATES FOR 2005

NAME	CHURCHES	*MEMBERS	COMMUNITY
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH	1,540		22,700,000
ALL EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCHES	7		20,000
LARGEST PROTESTANT DENOMINATIONS			
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST	235	63,100	159,000
LIGHT OF THE WORLD INTERNATIONAL	480	56,900	101,000
OVICE (TEAM)	900	29,600	47,600
ASSEMBLIES OF GOD	315	25,200	56,700
NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION	245	20,800	59,500
UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH	240	19,300	35,000
PENTECOSTAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH	110	13,500	44,800
EBENEZER CHURCH	100	12,000	35,800
NATIONAL ASSEMBLIES OF GOD	95	8,950	17,900
PENIEL ASSOCIATION OF CHURCHES	32	8,700	15,600
CHURCH OF THE FOURSQUARE GOSPEL	60	7,250	9,480
EMMANUEL EVANGELICAL CHURCH	30	6,900	13,800
EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH	200	6,900	8,400
EMMAUS PENTECOSTAL CHURCH	45	6,500	18,500
LAS ACACIAS PENTECOSTAL CHURCH	32	6,410	18,300
NATIVE CHURCH OF APURE	55	5,500	11,000
CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE	133	5,290	8,520
PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD	50	4,750	14,250
EVANGELICAL BAPTIST CONFERENCE	65	4,490	8,970
CHURCH OF THE CROSS	21	4,300	14,300
UNITED WORLD MISSION	30	4,100	13,650
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH	70	3,980	6,650
CHRIST IS COMING CHURCH	35	3,900	15,000
LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD	26	3,770	5,550
NEW TRIBES MISSION	95	3,400	14,200
ASIGEO (ORINOCO RIVER MISSION)	91	2,900	10,400
SUBTOTALS FOR PROTESTANT GROUPS	3,790	338,390	763,870
MARGINAL CHRISTIAN GROUPS			
JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES	900	79,300	263,000
MORMONS	195	44,600	89,300
*Sorted by membership size			
Note: Estimated size in 2005 may not be accurate for some groups.			

SOURCE: Peter Brierly (editor), *World Churches Handbook*. London: Christian Research, 1997.

During the 1940s, several additional Protestant missions arrived in Venezuela: the Assemblies of God (USA) in 1940; Child Evangelism Fellowship in 1942; New Tribes Mission (USA and Canada) in 1946; and the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1949.

During the 1950s, at least 15 additional Protestant organizations arrived or were created in Venezuela, including the interdenominational Evangelical Council of Venezuela. Four additional groups appeared during the 1960s, followed by at least eight more during the 1970s, eleven more during the 1980s, and at least seven more during the 1990s.

Eastern Orthodox and Western Catholic Traditions. There are two kinds of Eastern Orthodox groups in Venezuela, those in communion with the Vatican and those who are not. The former are represented by the “Apostolic Exarchate of Venezuela-Faithful of the Oriental Rite (Melkite),” known internationally as the Greek Catholic Church-Melkite Rite (Damascus, Syria); and the “Apostolic Exarchate of Venezuela-Faithful of the Oriental Rite (Syrian),” which is a jurisdiction of the Syriac Catholic Church-Syriac Rite (Beirut, Lebanon). The latter are represented by the Greek Orthodox Church (Greece), the Russian Orthodox Church Abroad (under Bishop Alexander in Los Angeles, CA), the Orthodox Church in America (also Russian Orthodox but affiliated with the Archdiocese of Moscow), the Romanian Orthodox Church (Romania), the Armenian Apostolic Church (Lebanon), the Byzantine Catholic Church (Mar Markus, Hungary), and the Orthodox Apostolic Catholic Church of Antioch (Patriarch of Antioch in Damascus, Syria: Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of Mexico, Venezuela, Central America-Caribbean). Also, there is one church in the Western Catholic tradition, the Apostolic Orthodox Old Catholic Church (Mons. Jorge Rodriguez, Chicago, Illinois), which is an independent church, not in communion with the Vatican.

Marginal Christian Groups. These groups are considered “marginal” because each one rejects other branches of Christianity, usually claiming that their group is the only “true church;” because their doctrinal statements reject certain basic tenets of the Eastern Orthodox, Western Roman and Protestant traditions, these groups are considered outside the mainstreams of Christianity. The Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of New York (known as Jehovah’s Witnesses) began work in Venezuela in 1936, and in 2005 reported 1,297 congregations with 98,785 members. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (known as Mormons, Salt Lake City, Utah) entered Venezuela in 1966; in 2001, this church reported 210 wards and branches with a total of 89,484 members. There are two Brazilian groups in Venezuela: the Universal Church of the Kingdom of God (also known as “Strong Prayer to the Holy Spirit – Stop Suffering!”) that, in 2004, reported 81 worship centers in Venezuela; and the God is Love Church. The following organizations are reported to have work in Venezuela: The Children of God (now called The Family International, headquarters in Florida), the Light of the World Church (Guadalajara, Mexico), Mita Congregation (Puerto Rico), The Voice of the Cornerstone (Puerto Rico), Growing in Grace Churches (Miami, Florida), the Philadelphia Church of God (Oklahoma), and the Church of Christ-Scientist (Boston, MA). The Alpha and Omega Student Movement (MAYO), founded in Colombia in 1963 among Catholic university students, also works in Venezuela; another name for this movement since 1980 is CENTI, the Center of Integral Theotherapy International—both were founded by Dr. Néstor Chamorro Pesantes.

Non-Christian Religions. Immigration into the country since World War II has not only increased the spectrum of Christianity in Venezuela, but also brought many of the world’s religions as part of the immigrant’s cultural baggage. These include followers of Buddhism, Chinese religions, Hinduism, Sikh, Sant Mat, Islam, Bahai, Judaism, Ancient Wisdom-Occult Orders, and Psychic-Spiritualist-New Age traditions. The major exception is the Animistic tradition, which includes Native American and Afro-American spirituality.

Buddhism. Chinese immigrants first introduced Buddhism into Venezuela, although a large portion of the Chinese community are Roman Catholics. Later, westernized Buddhist groups were founded, including Zen Buddhism Internationale (with headquarters in Paris, France) and Friends of Western Buddhism (FWBO, London); as well as Asian Buddhist groups: Sokka Gakkai (Japan), Soto Zen School (Japan), Karma Thegsum Choling – Diamond Way (Tibet), etc.

Chinese religions. Part of the cultural baggage of many Chinese immigrants was a variety of traditional belief systems that originated in mainland China, such as Taoism, Confucianism, Spiritism and Ancestor Worship, which have been called “Chinese Universalism” by some scholars (see Barrett’s *World Christian Encyclopedia*, 2001). The Chinese immigration to Venezuela began in the 19th century but continues today. According to some sources, there are now approximately 150,000 Chinese in Venezuela, most of

whom have arrived in the last 30 years, and their numbers are growing (Honey Liu Lin, director of the Wei Jing Chinese language school in Caracas). Venezuela is home to one of Latin America's largest concentrations of ethnic Chinese. A lively *barrio chino* can be found on Avenida Principal El Bosque in Caracas. Cantonese Chinese is widely spoken, but there has been recent Taiwanese immigration, adding to the linguistic and cultural diversity. Chinese from other places of the world also settled in Venezuela, especially from the Philippines, where they were experienced persecution in the 1970s under Ferdinand Marcos, and Cuba, where Fidel Castro's Communist Revolution seized their businesses.

Hinduism. A few Hindu-origin groups exist in Venezuela, including: the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKON, Florida), Swami Sivananda School of Yoga (affiliated with the Divine Life Society), Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Mandal (India), Sri Rupanuga Sridhar Ashram (India), International Sri Sathya Sai Baba (India), Transcendental Meditation (Lebanon), Gaudiya Vaishnava Society (California, USA), Grace Essence Fellowship (USA), etc.

Sikh. The Divine Light Mission – Elan Vital (India).

Sant Mat. The Movement for Spiritual Inner Awareness (MSIA, California, USA)

Islam. There are approximately 126,876 **Muslims** in Venezuela today, or about 0.5% of the nation's population. The Muslim community is concentrated among citizens of Lebanese, Syrian and Palestinian descent living in Nueva Esparta State, Margarita Island and the Caracas metropolitan area. The Al-Ibrahim mosque in Caracas is reportedly the largest in Latin America. It was constructed with funds from the Ibrahim bin Abdul Aziz Al-Ibrahim Foundation under the planning of world-renown architect Oscar Bracho.

Other notable mosques and Islamic organizations include *Isla Margarita-Caribe La Comunidad Islámica Venezolana*, *Centro Islámico de Venezuela*, *Mezquita al-Rauda* in Maracaibo, *Asociación Honorable Mezquita de Jerusalén* in Valencia, *Centro Islámico de Maiquetía* in Vargas, and *Asociación Benéfica Islámica* in Bolívar.

Margarita Island, a free-trade zone, is home to a sizeable Arab Muslim community. The local cable television outlet carries al-Jazeera as well as channels from Lebanon and Syria. Women in *hijab* work cash registers, and on most shop counters *Qur'anic ayah* are on display. Arabs are involved in retail businesses as well as travel agencies and banks.

Also present is Subud of Venezuela, an Islamic reform movement with roots in Indonesia.

Bahai Faith. In January 1953, the Bahá'í community of Caracas obtained its first rented building, which served 17 adults and one youth in Caracas, plus three more believers in the interior of the country. During the period 1960-1961 three other Local Assemblies were formed (Sucre district de Caracas, Maracay and Barquisimeto), which made possible the election of the First National Spiritual Assembly in Venezuela, in April 1961.

During the period 1963-1964 many Indigenous believers joined the Bahá'í community. For Ridvan in 1964, of the 1,218 believers in Venezuela, 1,001 were members of Indigenous tribes. The Number of Local Assemblies increased from six in April 1963 to 17 in April 1964, the number of Groups increased from six to 50, and remote centers from five to 17. During the next three years, the number of believers, Local Assemblies, groups, remote centers and localities tripled.

In December 1972, the National Assembly bought a property in Junquito for the future House of Adoration, with a view of the City of Caracas. At the end of 1972, the number of Local Assemblies had increased to 159 and the number of believers to 9,655. In May 1979, the number of believers had increased to 15,236, of which 11,753 lived in Zulia.

At the beginning of 2000, there existed a National Bahá'í Institute, a Moral Education Institute, a strong and growing youth movement, a solid and stable community of believers (more than 20,000), an Office of Foreign Affairs dedicated to the peace process, and 90 Local Assemblies.

Judaism. The ties between Jews in the Dutch island colonies and Venezuela increased more dramatically between 1819-1821 after its new constitution called for religious freedom. In 1820, the first Jewish family settled in the town of Coro, which has a Jewish cemetery with tombstones dating back to 1832. Other Jewish communities began springing up in Caracas and Puerto Cabello in the 1840s. In 1844, groups of Jews from Morocco came to the town of Barcelona and, in 1875, they were granted permission to establish a Jewish cemetery. Also in 1844, the Venezuelan government gave the few Israelites residing in Caracas “a piece of ground for a burying-place.”

Toward the end of the 19th century, the Venezuelan Jewish community was in dire need of a permanent place of prayer. Assimilation proved to be a large problem for the fledgling community. The Portuguese Jewish immigrants who came to Venezuela by way of Curaçao had a loose-knit communal life, and religious tolerance and acceptance of Jews was not continuous throughout the country. These three factors contributed to the growing assimilation of the community and, by the end of the 19th century, the Dutch portion of Venezuelan Jewry had all but disappeared. Small Jewish communities could be found in towns such as Port Hair, Villa de Cura, Carupano, Rio Chico, Maracaibo and Barquisimeto. It was not until the arrival of North African and eastern European Jews in the 1920s and 1930s, however, that the Jewish community began to fully develop.

According to a national census taken at the end of the 19th century, 247 Jews lived in Venezuela as citizens in 1891. In 1907, the Israelite Beneficial Society, which became the Israelite Society of Venezuela in 1919, was created as an organization to bring all the Jews who were scattered through various cities and towns throughout the country together. Jewish prayer and holiday services took place in small houses in Caracas and towns like Los Teques and La Guaira. By 1917, the number of Jewish citizens rose to 475, and to 882 in 1926. Jewish immigration from Eastern and Central Europe increased after 1934, but, by then, Venezuela had imposed specific restrictions on Jewish immigration, which remained in effect until after the 1950s.

By 1943, nearly 600 German Jews had entered the country, with several hundred more becoming citizens after World War II. By 1950, the community had grown to around 6,000 people, even in the face of immigration restrictions. With the fall of dictator Pérez Jiménez in 1958, more than 1,000 Jews immigrated to Venezuela from Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Salonica, Turkey, and even from Israel. An unknown number of Jews also immigrated from other Latin American countries, which raised the size of the community to more than 15,000 Jews by the 1970s. Currently, more than 35,000 Jews live in Venezuela, with more than half in the Caracas metropolitan area. The majority of Venezuela's Jews are members of the middle and upper classes.

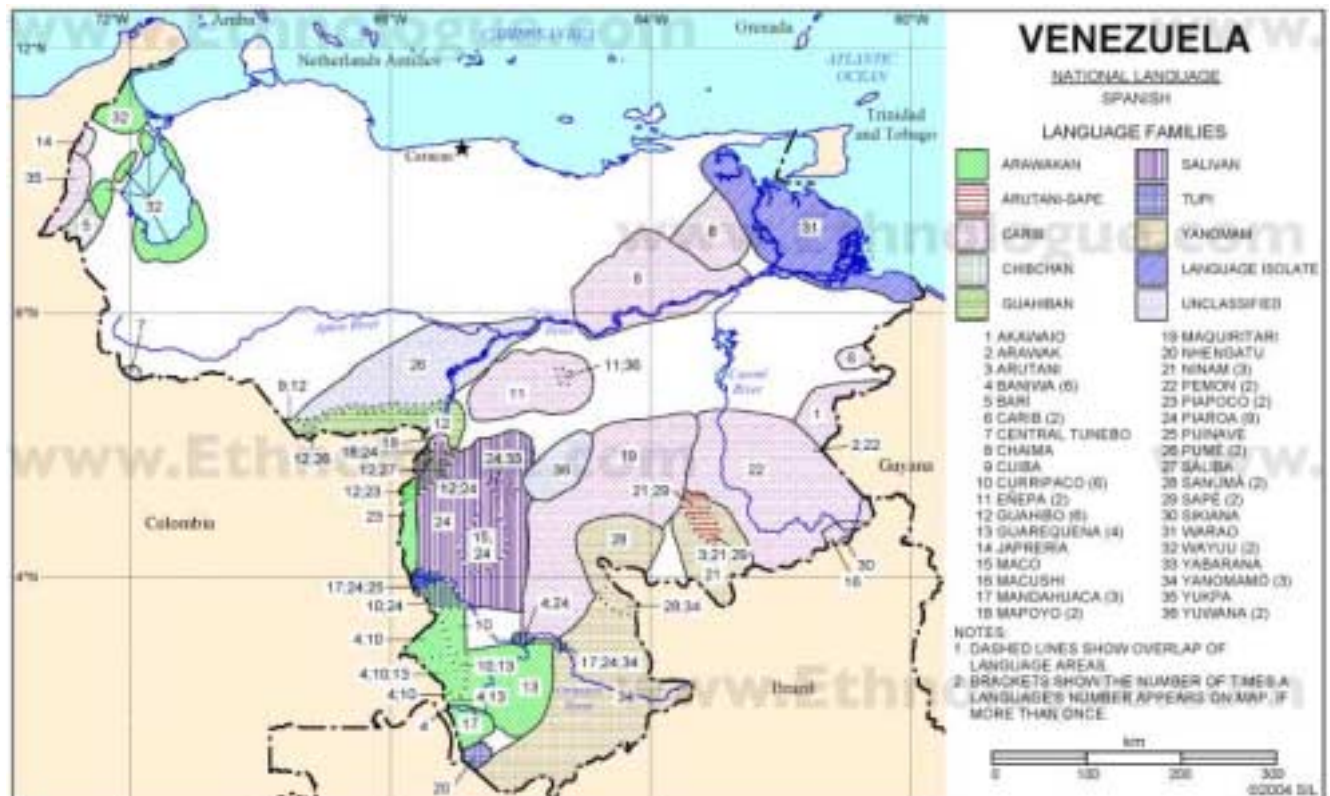
Venezuelan Jewry is split equally between **Ashkenazim** and **Sephardim**. Most of the country's 16 synagogues are Orthodox: The Israelite Union of Caracas represents the Ashkenazi tradition and the Israelite Association of Venezuela represents the Sephardic tradition. There is one Conservative synagogue (Congregation Shalom, founded in 1990) and one Messianic synagogue (Bet El Shadai Congregation).

Animists - Native Americans or Amerindians. According to the 2000 Venezuelan national census, there were 511,784 Amerindians (about 2% of the total population), mainly concentrated in the states of Amazonas (61.4%), Delta Amacuro (26.6%) and Zulia (10.6%). About 84% spoke their native Indigenous language, and less than 50% spoke Spanish also. The major linguistic groups are Arawakan, Caribe and independent (without any known linguistic affiliation to other groups). Although many of the Amerindians are nominal Roman Catholics and practice “popular Catholic religiosity,” most are practitioners of Native American Spirituality or Animism. See map below for the geographical distribution of the Amerindian groups in Venezuela.

Animists – Afro-Americans. Present among, but not limited to, Afro-Venezuelans are a variety of Animistic groups that combine African-derived belief systems with Roman Catholicism in the Latin American and Caribbean regions: Umbanda, Quimbanda, Santería, the Maria Lionza cult, Myalism-Obeah, etc.

Animists – Latin American Popular Religiosity (influenced by Roman Catholicism). All Latin American countries, including Venezuela, have a variety of Virgin Mary, Christ Child and folk saint cults that emerged as Iberian Roman Catholicism blended with existing Amerindian and African belief systems to form a syncretistic “popular religiosity.” Examples of these are: the Cult of Our Lady of Coromoto (the patron saint of Venezuela), the Virgin of Chiquinquirá in Maracaibo, the Virgin of the Valley on Margarita Island, and the Cult of the Virgin Mary of the Mystical Rose; the Cult of the “Niño Jesús” in Capaya, Barlovento, Miranda State; and the most famous of the folk saints, Dr. José Gregorio Hernández (1864-1919), whose tomb in the parish of La Candelaria in Caracas has become an important shrine.

MAP OF NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN POPULATION: SIL-WYCLIFFE



Map source: http://www.ethnologue.com/show_map.asp?name=VE&seq=10

Ancient Wisdom-Occult Orders. Present in Venezuela today are various groups that represent the *Traditional Magic* of ancient Western Europe that came to Latin America as part of the Spanish Conquest in the form of **witchcraft** (magicians, diviners, healers, witches and shamans). One of Venezuela's famous witches (brujo) was don José Nicanor Ochoa of Nirgua (1868-1957), State of Miranda: <http://groups.msn.com/LASANTERIAENVENEZUELA/nicanorochoa.msnw>. Also, there are groups that represent the *Ritual or Ceremonial Magic* tradition, such as: the Traditional Martinista Order (France), the Hermetic Order of the Golden Dawn (England and France), Freemasonry (Scotland and France), the Ancient and Mystical Order Rosae Crucis (AMORC, USA), the Ancient Rosicrucian Fraternity (Germany), etc. The *Neo-Pagan* tradition is represented by Wicca, and the *Satanist* tradition by various secret societies that worship the biblical Lucifer. *Other Occult Orders* (founded in Latin America) present in Venezuela are: the Grand Universal Fraternity (known as GFU, founded in Venezuela in 1948 by Serge Justinien Raynaud) and Red-GFU (Venezuela, 1971, by José Manuel Estrada), the Christian Gnostic Movement

(various groups inspired by the writings and teaching of Víctor Manuel Gómez Rodríguez, known as “Grand Master Samael Aun Weor,” of Colombia), and the New Acropolis Cultural Association (Argentina, 1957).

Psychic-Spiritualist-New Age Tradition. There are a variety of “families” represented within this tradition. Members of the Psychic-Spiritualist Family present in Venezuela are: the Spiritual Magnetic School of the Universal Commune (founded by Joaquín Trincado Mateo), the CIMA Spiritist Cultural Movement, and the Grand Cacique Murachi Portal Spiritual Center. The Theosophical Family is represented by The Theosophical Society (USA). The I AM – Ascended Master Family has a least two representatives: the Sol Ray Movement / St. Germain Grand Fraternity (founded in Venezuela by Connie Méndez in 1945) and the New Thought Development Foundation (Puerto Rico, 1987). The UFO Family is represented by the Raelian Movement (founded in 1973 in France by Claude Vorilhon, known as “Rael”). The New Age Family includes the following groups: the Church of Scientology or Dianetics (USA), Universal Life-The Inner Religion (Germany), the Unification Church of Rev. Moon (Korea), the International Society of Ascension (Canada), Ishaya Techniques (Colombia), and the Silvan Method or Silva Mind Control (Texas, founded by José Silva)

The Roman Catholic Church Today

In 1973, the Roman Catholic Church in Venezuela administered five provinces, a prelate and four vicariates. The Archdiocese of Caracas (province I) included the districts of Valencia, Maracay, Calabozo, Los Teques, La Guaira and San Carlos; Ciudad Bolívar (province II) included the dioceses of Cumaná, Barcelona, Margarita and Maturín; Mérida (province III) included the dioceses of San Cristóbal, Trujillo and Barinas; Maracaibo (province IV) included the dioceses of Coro and Cabimas; and Barquisimeto (province V) included Guanare and San Felipe.

In the mid-1970s, the principal male religious orders in Venezuela were: Agustínians, Benedictines, Capuchins, Claretins, Dominicans, Eudists, Jesuits, Pasionists, Paulists, Redentorists, Salesians, De La Salle Brothers, Marists and Brothers of St. John of God. Female religious orders founded in Venezuela were: las Hermanitas de los Pobres, Franciscanas, Siervas del Santísimo Sacramento, Lourdistas, Agustinas, Dominicas and Carmelitas. For a more recent list of religious orders in Venezuela, go to: <http://www.une.edu.ve/arquidiocesis/instreli.htm>

The Catholic Charismatic Movement of Venezuela began in 1973 during a spiritual retreat of Salesian Fathers in Los Teques, Miranda State. As the movement grew in strength and spread to other parts of Venezuela, a national office was established Maracaibo and was later moved to Barquisimeto, in 1988: <http://www.rccvenezuela.com/rccv.asp>.

In 1995, Pope John Paul II appointed the XIV Archbishop of Caracas, Monseñor Ignacio Antonio Velasco García (born 1929). The current Archbishop of Caracas is **Cardinal Jorge Urosa Savino**, installed in 2005.

The Venezuelan Episcopal Conference (CEV), composed of the nation’s archbishops, bishops and auxiliary personnel who meet periodically to manage church affairs, was first created in 1973. The president of CEV is **Mons. Ubaldo Ramón Santana Sequera**, the Archbishop of Maracaibo (<http://www.cev.org.ve/somos.php>). In 2005, Venezuela had 58 Catholic bishops, including two Syrian Rite and one Melkite-Rite.

Presently, there are nine archdioceses in Venezuela: Barquisimeto, Caracas, Calabozo, Ciudad Bolívar, Coro, Cumaná, Maracaibo, Mérida and Valencia - http://www.cev.org.ve/directorio_detalle.php. Within these provinces there are 38 dioceses and 1,256 parishes that are administered by 1,493 diocesan priests and 1,064 religious priests, for a total of 2,557 priests; in addition, there were 1,628 members of male religious orders and 3,775 members of female religious orders, for a total of 5,403 (2005 statistics: <http://www.catholic-hierarchy.org/country/sc4.html>).

The Vatican has been represented in Venezuela by the Apostolic Annunciate since 1869; the position is currently held by **Giacinto Berloco** (Apostolic Nuncio, appointed 24 February 2005).

Current Restrictions on Religious Freedom

Government policy and practice contributed to the generally free practice of religion. The Constitution forbids the use of religion to avoid obeying the law or interfere with the rights of others; however, there were efforts by the government, motivated by political reasons, to limit the influence of the Roman Catholic Church and missionary groups in certain social and political areas.

In October 2005 President Hugo Chávez accused missionaries from the U.S.-based, fundamentalist-Evangelical organization New Tribes Mission (NTM) of contaminating the cultures of indigenous populations as well as carrying out illicit activities with the group's small aircraft. The Ministry of Interior subsequently rescinded the group's permission, granted in 1953, to conduct its social programs among Indigenous tribes. The NTM appealed the order to the Supreme Court, which denied an injunction but admitted the case, which remained pending at the end of the period covered by this report. More than 100 NTM missionaries withdrew from the Indigenous areas in compliance with the government's order, abandoning properties held for decades. The government reportedly seized some of these properties, without compensation, for its own social programs. Other foreign missionary groups working in the Indigenous areas departed voluntarily after government officials warned that all such missionary activity would be stopped. Despite being duly registered religious and civil society groups, at the end of the period covered by this report foreign missionary groups were prohibited from entering indigenous areas.

Legal/Policy Framework

The Constitution provides for freedom of religion on the condition that the practice of a religion does not violate public morality, decency, and the public order; the government generally respected this right in practice.

The Directorate of Justice and Religion (DJR) in the Ministry of Interior and Justice is mandated to maintain a registry of religious groups, disburse funds to religious organizations, and promote awareness and understanding among religious communities. Each group must register with the DJR to have legal status as a religious organization. Requirements for registration are largely administrative, the key exception being that groups serve the community's social interests. Some groups have complained that the process is slow and inefficient. However, in contrast with the previous report, there were no accounts of the government refusing to register certain religious groups in the period covered by this report.

A 1964 concordat governs relations between the government and the Vatican and provides the basis for government subsidies to the Roman Catholic Church. All registered religious groups are eligible for funding to support religious services, but most money goes to Catholic organizations because their assigned shares are fixed. While the government continued to provide funding to Catholic-operated schools as usual, there were significant cutbacks to funding given directly to the Episcopal Conference of Venezuela. There were reports that funding increased to certain evangelical groups, although much of this was related to social projects implemented via the government's social programs, and the specific amounts were not available.

Foreign missionaries require special visas to operate in the country. The government estimated that there were approximately 3,000 such missionaries in 2005. Missionaries generally complained of increased refusal rates for first-time religious visas as well as for renewals. Missionary groups also generally complained that the religious visa process had become more difficult and prone to delays. After a temporary freeze in all religious visa applications, the government returned to issuing visas, although reportedly at a slower pace than before.

In October 2005 the Mormons withdrew 219 U.S. missionaries, citing difficulties in receiving religious visas. The growing crime rate also was a factor, especially considering that the young missionaries worked in poor, high-crime neighborhoods.

The government continued to provide annual subsidies to Catholic schools and social programs that help the poor. Other religious groups are free to establish and operate their own schools.

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PART A: OLDER LITURGICAL CHRISTIAN GROUPS

A1.0 EASTERN ORTHODOX TRADITIONS

NAME-1: ORTHODOX CHURCH IN AMERICA

NAME-2: IGLESIA ORTODOXA EN AMERICA

TRADITION: EASTERN ORTHODOX-AUTOCEPHALOUS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IOAM **CLASSIFICATION:** A1.1212

PRESIDENT-CEO: MIGUEL NEGODNOV **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Congregación Griega Ortodoxa de la Anunciación de la Santísima Virgen María, Lomas de Collinas de Bello Monte, Calle Bocono, Caracas

DISTRICT: **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: 752-4943 **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ORTHODOX CHURCH IN AMERICA (RUSSIAN ORTHODOX)

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA-NEW YORK

NAME-1: "ST. CONSTANTINE AND ST. HELENA" ROMANIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA ORTODOXA RUMANA "SAN CONSTANTINO Y SANTA ELENA"

TRADITION: EASTERN ORTHODOX-AUTOCEPHALOUS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IORUM **CLASSIFICATION:** A1.1214

PRESIDENT-CEO: V. Rev. Fr. Costică Popa **CEO-TITLE:** Priest

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 75-425 **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** CARACAS **STATE:** DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Calle A, Urb. El Portón de los Olivos, Entrada de la Lagunita Country Club, El Hatillo, Caracas, Venezuela

(Alternative address for church office: Urb. Los Caobos, Av. La Salle, Edf. Poncho, Pent-House, Caracas)

DISTRICT: EL HATILLO **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58-212) 961-5860 **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://www.romarch.org/eng/parishes.php>

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ROMANIAN ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE IN AMERICA AND CANADA

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: CHICAGO, IL

NAME-1: RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH (OUTSIDE RUSSIA)

NAME-2: IGLESIA ORTODOXA RUSA (FUERA DE RUSIA)

TRADITION: EASTERN ORTHODOX-AUTOCEPHALOUS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IORU **CLASSIFICATION:** A1.12153

PRESIDENT-CEO: PAUL WOLKOV **CEO-TITLE:** PRIEST
MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CATEDRAL DE SAN NICOLAS, LOS DOS CAMINOS, PRIMERA TRANSVERSAL CON AVENIDA AVILA, CARACAS 1071, VENEZUELA
DISTRICT: **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** 1071 **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF
TELEPHONES: (58-212) 977-2883 **FAX:**
E-MAIL:
INTERNET: http://www.fatheralexander.org/latest/south_america.htm
FOUNDING DATE:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 6
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH IN EXILE, DIOCESE OF SOUTH AMERICA UNDER BISHOP ALEXANDER OF LOS ANGELES, CA (INCLUDES ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, CHILE, PARAGUAY URUGUAY AND VENEZUELA)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA-LOS ANGELES, CA

NAME-1: **BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH (MAR MARKUS)**
NAME-2: **IGLESIA CATOLICA BIZANTINA (MAR MARKUS)**
TRADITION: EASTERN ORTHODOX-AMERICAS
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICBYZ **CLASSIFICATION:** A1.1315
PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**
MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**
TELEPHONES: **FAX:**
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH (MAR MARKUS)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: HUNGARY; USA-LOS ANGELES, CA

NAME-1: **ORTHODOX APOSTOLIC CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ANTIOCH**
NAME-2: **IGLESIA CATOLICA APOSTOLICA ORTODOXA DE ANTIOQUIA**
TRADITION: EASTERN ORTHODOX - MONOPHYSITE
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICAOA **CLASSIFICATION:** A1.2201
PRESIDENT-CEO: JOSEPH DIB **CEO-TITLE:** ARCHIMANDRITA
MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: AVENIDA "E", QUINTA SAN ANTONIO ABAD, EL PARAISO, CARACAS, VENEZUELA
DISTRICT: EL PARAISO **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF
TELEPHONES: (58-2) 461-1667 **FAX:** (58-2) 462-9286 **E-MAIL:** josephdib@maktoob.com
INTERNET: http://www.iglesiaortodoxa.org.mx/01-espaniol/03-arquidiocesis/el_clero.htm
FOUNDING DATE:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 2 (CARACAS AND VALENCIA)
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESES OF MEXICO, VENEZUELA, CENTRAL AMERICA-CARIBBEAN (ONE OF THE 20 DIOCESES OF THE PATRIARCHATE OF ANTIOCH IN DAMASCUS)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: MEXICO: <http://www.iglesiaortodoxa.org.mx>
NOTE: The Patriarchate of Antioch (Damascus, Syria) has jurisdiction over 5 million Orthodox Christians, mainly in the Middle East (Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, Palestine, Kuwait), and also in the Americas, Australia and New Zealand. It is grouped into 20 dioceses: <http://www.antiochian.org.au/content/view/16/30/> <http://www.iglesiaortodoxa.org.mx/01-espaniol/03-arquidiocesis/Patriarcado.htm>

NAME-1: ST. GREGORY THE ILLUMINATOR ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA APOSTOLICA ARMENIA ST. GREGOR ILLUMINATOR

TRADITION: EASTERN ORTHODOX - MONOPHYSITE

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IAASGI **CLASSIFICATION:** A1.2299

PRESIDENT-CEO: Archbishop Gomidas Ohanian **CEO-TITLE:** Dean

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Avenida Los Mangos, Esquina Calle Armenia (antes Pomagas), La Florida, Caracas 1050

DISTRICT: LA FLORIDA **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** 1050 **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58-212) 730-0840 **FAX:** 731-0843

E-MAIL: serpagomidas@cantv.net

INTERNET: <http://www.cathcil.org/x02/doc/Venezuela.htm>

http://www.anca.org/press_releases/press_releases.php?prid=789

FOUNDING DATE: 1987

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: The Catholicosate of the Armenian Apostolic Church of Cilicia in Antelias, Lebanon

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: LEBANON

A2.0 WESTERN ROMAN CATHOLIC TRADITIONS

NAME-1: ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA CATOLICA ROMANA

TRADITION: WESTERN CATHOLIC-ROMAN

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICR **CLASSIFICATION:** A2.1

PRESIDENT-CEO: Mons. Ubaldo Ramón Santana Sequera **CEO-TITLE:** ARCHBISHOP OF MARACAIBO

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 4897 **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** CARACAS **STATE:** DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Consejo Episcopal Venezolana, Prolongación Avenida Páez, Urbanización Juan Pablo II, a 100 metros de la Universidad Católica "Andrés Bello", Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: URBANIZACION JUAN PABLO II **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (0212) 442-2090 **FAX:** same

E-MAIL: cev@cev.org.ve

INTERNET: <http://www.cev.org.ve/>

FOUNDING DATE: 1531, FIRST DIOCESE ESTABLISHED IN CORO

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: THE VATICAN

CHRONOLOGY: <http://www.une.edu.ve/arquidiocesis/cronolog.htm>

NAME-1: GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH - MELKITE RITE

NAME-2: IGLESIA CATOLICA GRIEGA – RITO MELQUITA

TRADITION: WESTERN CATHOLIC - ORTHODOX RITES

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MELQ **CLASSIFICATION:** A2.307

PRESIDENT-CEO: Georges Kahhalé Zouhairaty **CEO-TITLE:** Bishop

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 20120 **ZIPCODE:** 1020 **CITY:** CARACAS **STATE:** DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Catedral San Jorge, Montalban II, final de 3ª Avenida, Caracas 1022-A

DISTRICT: MONTALBAN II **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** 1022-A **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (0212) 443-3019 / 472-5367 **FAX:** 443-0131
E-MAIL: <mailto:georgeskahhale@cantv.net>
INTERNET: <http://catedralsanjorge.tripod.com/SanJorgeMelkita.html>
<http://www.catholic-hierarchy.org/diocese/dorve.html>
FOUNDING DATE: 1990, Apostolic Exarchate
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 3 parishes and 2 priests
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH - MELKITE RITE
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: DAMASCUS, SYRIA
NOTE: THIS ORTHODOX CHURCH IS IN COMMUNION WITH THE VATICAN.

NAME-1: SYRIAC CATHOLIC CHURCH – SYRIAC RITE

NAME-2: IGLESIA CATOLICA SIRIACA – RITO SIRIACO

TRADITION: WESTERN CATHOLIC - ORTHODOX RITES
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SCC **CLASSIFICATION:** A2.310
PRESIDENT-CEO: IWANNIS LOUIS AWAD **CEO-TITLE:** VICAR APOSTOLIC
MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 11 **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** MARACAY **STATE:** ARAGUA
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: 1ª Calle San Jacinto, Maracay, Estado Aragua, Venezuela
DISTRICT: EL PARAISO **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** ARAGUA
TELEPHONES: (0243) 235-0821 **FAX:** 235-7213 **E-MAIL:**
INTERNET: <http://www.catholic-hierarchy.org/diocese/dvesy.html>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syrian_Catholic_Church
FOUNDING DATE: 2001, APOSTOLIC EXARCHATE
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SYRIAC CATHOLIC PATRIARCHATE OF ANTIOCH AND ALL THE EAST
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: BEIRUT, LEBANON
NOTE: THIS ORTHODOX CHURCH IS IN COMMUNION WITH THE VATICAN.
AFFILIATES: IN MARACAY, VALENCIA, MARACAIBO, CIUDAD BOLIVAR AND OTHER CITIES AMONG ARABIC-SPEAKING PEOPLES – SIRIANS, LIBANESE AND PALESTINIANS.

NAME-1: APOSTOLIC ORTHODOX OLD CATHOLIC CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA CATOLICA VIEJA, ORTODOX Y APOSTOLICA (MONS. JORGE RODRIGUEZ)

TRADITION: WESTERN CATHOLIC-OLD CATHOLIC
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: AOCC **CLASSIFICATION:** A2.407
PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**
MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**
TELEPHONES: **FAX:**
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: APOSTOLIC ORTHODOX OLD CATHOLIC CHURCH
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA-CHICAGO
NOTE: THIS OLD CATHOLIC CHURCH IS NOT IN COMMUNION WITH THE VATICAN.

PART B: THE PROTESTANT MOVEMENT

B1.0 THE OLDER LITURGICAL TRADITION

B1.1 THE LUTHERAN FAMILY

NAME-1: THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF VENEZUELA (PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS THE LUTHERAN COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA)

NAME-2: IGLESIA EVANGELICA LUTERANA DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: LUTHERAN

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IELV **CLASSIFICATION:** B1.101

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 68738-ALTAMIRA **ZIPCODE:** 1062-A **CITY:** YV CARACAS **STATE:** DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Iglesia Luterana de la Resurrección, prolongación 4ª Avenida de Altamira, esquina con 3ª Transversal, Urbanización La Castellana, Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: URBANIZACION LA CASTILLANA **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58-212) 264-1868 **FAX:** SAME **E-MAIL:** iglesia_ielv@cantv.net

INTERNET: <http://ielv.tripod.com/> <http://www.elca.org/companionsynod/samerica.html>

FOUNDING DATE: 1959 (1894, first German-speaking Lutheran churches established)

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: 9 **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:** 3

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 12

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: ABOUT 1,200 **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (ELCA), MEMBER OF THE LUTHERAN WORLD FEDERATION (LWF) AND THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES (CLAI)

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA, GERMANY

NOTE: Has affiliated congregations in Barquisimeto, Barinas, Turén, Valencia, Maracaibo and Caracas; many of these congregations were German, Hungarian or Scandinavian-speaking originally, but now most are Spanish-speaking. <http://ielv.tripod.com/congregaciones.htm>

AFFILIATIONS: A MEMBER OF THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES - CLAI

NAME-1: CONFERENCE OF LUTHERAN CHURCHES IN VENEZUELA

NAME-2: CONFERENCIA DE IGLESIAS LUTERANAS EN VENEZUELA

TRADITION: LUTHERAN

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CILV **CLASSIFICATION:** B1.102

PRESIDENT-CEO: Rev. Alcides Franco **CEO-TITLE:** President

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 60387 **ZIPCODE:** 1060-A **CITY:** YV-CARACAS **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Iglesia Luterana La Santa Trinidad, Calle México entre calle Magallanes y calle Cristo, #16, Catia, Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: CATIA **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: 02-754-683, 02-892-067 **FAX:** 2-752-46183

E-MAIL: ilvaf@telcel.net.ve

INTERNET: <http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Agora/6521/index.htm>

FOUNDING DATE: 1951

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: 19 **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:** 2

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 21

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 1,000 **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NOTE: Has affiliated congregations in Anzoátegui, Monagas, Bolívar, Sucre, Carabobo, Lara, Barinas, Aragua, Maracaibo, Cagua and Caracas.

NAME-1: LUTHERAN CHURCH OF VENEZUELA

NAME-2: IGLESIA LUTERANA DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: LUTHERAN

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ILV **CLASSIFICATION:** B1.199

PRESIDENT-CEO: Rev. Adrian Ventura **CEO-TITLE:** President adrian_ventura450@hotmail.com

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 343 **ZIPCODE:** 6201-A **CITY:** MATURIN **STATE:** MONAGAS

TELEPHONE: (58-291) 651-2934 **FAX:** (58-291) 651-2934

MAIN ADDRESS / CARACAS: QUINTA LUTERO, AVENIDA CAURIMARE, COLINAS DE BELLO MONTE, CARACAS

DISTRICT: COLINAS DE BELLO MONTE **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (0212) 753-4683 **FAX:**

E-MAIL: ilvvenezuela@gmail.com

INTERNET: <http://www.ilv-venezuela.net/>

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 1,607 **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: AFFILIATED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

<http://www.ilc-online.org/pages/default.asp?NavID=69>

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

B1.2 THE REFORMED-PRESBYTERIAN FAMILY

NAME-1: REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA

NAME-2: IGLESIA REFORMADA DE AMERICA

TRADITION: REFORMED-PRESBYTERIAN

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: RCA **CLASSIFICATION:** B1.2101

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: REFORMED FAITH CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA CRISTIANA DE FE REFORMADA

TRADITION: REFORMED-PRESBYTERIAN

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: RFCC **CLASSIFICATION:** B1.2199

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: 609 **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CARRERA 19 CON CALLE 16, BARQUISIMETO, EDO. LARA 3001, VENEZUELA

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: 58-51-514-414 **FAX:** 58-51-514-414

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF VENEZUELA

NAME-2: IGLESIA PRESBITERIANA DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: REFORMED-PRESBYTERIAN

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: PRESB CLASSIFICATION: B1.221106

PRESIDENT-CEO: David di Napoli Santana CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 75396 ZIPCODE: 1070-A CITY: CARACAS STATE: DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: COLEGIO AMERICANO, CALLE COLEGIO AMERICANO, LAS MINAS DE BARUTA,
BARUTA, MIRANDA

DISTRICT: LAS MINAS DE BARUTA CITY: BARUTA ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: MIRANDA

TELEPHONES: (58-212) 944-5326 FAX: 943-3529

E-MAIL: ipvsinodo@cantv.net

INTERNET: <http://www.pcusa.org/worldwide/venezuela/index.htm>

FOUNDING DATE: 1896, DR. THEODORE POND

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: WORLD ALLIANCE OF REFORMED CHURCHES

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: SWITZERLAND

AFFILIATIONS: PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA), LATIN AMERICAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES - CLAI

NAME-1: PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH EL REDENTOR

NAME-2: IGLESIA PRESBITERIANA EL REDENTOR

TRADITION: REFORMED-PRESBYTERIAN

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: PCER CLASSIFICATION: B1.2299

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: PLAZA LA CONCORDIA, CARACAS 1010, VENEZUELA

DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: 1010 STATE / PROVINCE: DF

TELEPHONES: (58-2) 484-9283 FAX: (582-2) 484-9282

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE: 1983 (SPLIT FROM THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF VENEZUELA)

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF THE REFORMED FAITH

NAME-2: IGLESIA CRISTIANA DE FE REFORMADA

TRADITION: REFORMED-PRESBYTERIAN

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CLASSIFICATION: B1.2299

PRESIDENT-CEO: CESAR RODRIGUEZ CEO-TITLE: PASTOR

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 609 ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CARRERA 19 Y CALLE 16, BARQUISIMETO, LARA 3001
DISTRICT: CITY: BARQUISIMETO **ZIPCODE:** 3001 **STATE / PROVINCE:** LARA
TELEPHONES: (58-51) 514-414 **FAX:** (58-51) 514-414
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE: 1984
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: GEREFORMEED KERKEN
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: NETHERLANDS

B1.3 THE ANGLICAN-EPISCOPAL FAMILY

NAME-1: ANGLICAN EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN VENEZUELA
NAME-2: IGLESIA ANGLICANA EPISCOPAL EN VENEZUELA

TRADITION: ANGLICAN-EPISCOPAL
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IAEV **CLASSIFICATION:** B1.302
PRESIDENT-CEO: ORLANDO GUERRERO **CEO-TITLE:** BISHOP
MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 49-143 **ZIPCODE:** 1042-A **CITY:** CARACAS
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: AVENIDA CARONI 100, COLINAS DE BELLO MONTE, CARACAS, VENEZUELA
DISTRICT: COLINAS DE BELLO MONTE **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** 1042-A **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF
TELEPHONES: (58-0212) 753-0723 **FAX:** 751-3180
E-MAIL: iglanglicanavzla@cantv.net
INTERNET: http://www.episcopalchurch.org/directory_18824_ENG_HTM.htm
http://www.episcopalchurch.org/directory_56180_ENG_HTM.htm
FOUNDING DATE: 1834 as a British chaplaincy until 1982, when it became an extraprovincial diocese to Province IX of the Episcopal Church in the USA; in 2003 Venezuela was admitted as a diocese of the Episcopal Church; the diocese of Venezuela includes the Netherlands Antilles:
http://www.episcopalchurch.org/3577_18261_ENG_HTM.htm
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: 10 **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:** 14
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 24
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE USA
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA
AFFILIATIONS: A MEMBER OF THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN COMMUNION AND THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES - CLAI

NAME-1: LATIN AMERICAN ANGLICAN CHURCH OF VENEZUELA
NAME-2: IGLESIA ANGLICANA LATINOAMERICANA DE VENEZUELA
TRADITION: ANGLICAN-EPISCOPAL
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IALA **CLASSIFICATION:** B1.399
PRESIDENT-CEO: FRAY JESUS ALBERTO APARICIO ARIAS **CEO-TITLE:** ENCARGADO
MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**
TELEPHONES: **FAX:**
E-MAIL:
INTERNET: <http://misiondeamerica.blog.galeon.com>
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: LATIN AMERICAN ANGLICAN CHURCH
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: CANADA-MEXICO

B2.0 THE EVANGELICAL SEPARATIST TRADITION

B2.1 THE ANABAPTIST-MENNONITE FAMILY

NAME-1: BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA EVANGELICA DE LOS HERMANOS EN CRISTO

TRADITION: ANABAPTIST-MENNONITE

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: BCC CLASSIFICATION: B2.1103

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 29056 ZIPCODE: 1021 CITY: MONTALBAN-CARACAS

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH – MENNONITE WORLD CONFERENCE

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: COUNCIL OF EVANGELICAL MENNONITE CHURCHES IN VENEZUELA

NAME-2: CONCILIO DE IGLESIAS EVANGELICAS MENONITAS EN VENEZUELA

TRADITION: ANABAPTIST-MENNONITE

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MEN CLASSIFICATION: B2.1104

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 5137 ZIPCODE: 1010-A CITY: CARMELITAS-CARACAS STATE: DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CARMELITAS CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: MENNONITE WORLD CONFERENCE

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: FRANCE

AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: EVANGELICAL MENNONITE CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA EVANGELICA MENONITA

TRADITION: ANABAPTIST-MENNONITE

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MEN CLASSIFICATION: B2.1113

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: EVANGELICAL MENNONITE MISSION CONFERENCE
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

B2.2 THE BAPTIST FAMILY

NAME-1: NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION OF VENEZUELA
NAME-2: CONVENCION NACIONAL BAUTISTA DE VENEZUELA
TRADITION: BAPTIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CNBV CLASSIFICATION: B2.2305
PRESIDENT-CEO: ALEXANDER MONTERO CEO-TITLE: DIRECTOR GENERAL
MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 61152 ZIPCODE: 1060-A CITY: LOS CAOPOS-CARACAS
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Av. Santiago de Chile, #12-14, Quinta Centro Bautista, Los Caobos, Caracas
DISTRICT: LOS CAOPOS CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: (58)(0212) 782-2308; 793-0347; 794-1878 FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET: <http://www.cnbv.org.ve/>
FOUNDING DATE: 1951
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 330
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: 31,200 DATE OF STATISTICS: 2005
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SOUTHERN BAPTIST INTERNATIONAL MISSION
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: BAPTIST MID-MISSIONS CHURCHES
NAME-2: IGLESIAS DE BAPTIST MID-MISSIONS
TRADITION: BAPTIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: BMM CLASSIFICATION: B2.2311
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: BAPTIST MID-MISSIONS
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST CHURCHES

NAME-2: IGLESIA BAUTISTA CONSERVADORA

TRADITION: BAPTIST

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CBA CLASSIFICATION: B2.2317

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: BAPTIST BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCHES

NAME-2: IGLESIA BIBLICA BAUTISTA

TRADITION: BAPTIST

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: BBF CLASSIFICATION: B2.2320

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: BAPTIST BIBLE FELLOWSHIP INT.

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: BAPTIST INTERNATIONAL MISSION CHURCHES

NAME-2: MISION BAUTISTA INTERNACIONAL

TRADITION: BAPTIST

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: BIM CLASSIFICATION: B2.2322

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: BAPTIST INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: MARANATHA BAPTIST MISSION CHURCHES
NAME-2: IGLESIAS DE LA MISION BAUTISTA MARANATA

TRADITION: BAPTIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MBM CLASSIFICATION: B2.2323
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: MARANATHA BAPTIST MISSION
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: MACEDONIA WORLD BAPTIST MISSIONS
NAME-2: IGLESIAS DE LA MISION BAUTISTA MUNDIAL MACEDONIA

TRADITION: BAPTIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MWBM CLASSIFICATION: B2.2326
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: MACEDONIA WORLD BAPTIST MISSIONS
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: EVANGELICAL BAPTIST CONFERENCE
NAME-2: CONFERENCIA EVANGELICA BAUTISTA

TRADITION: BAPTIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CEB CLASSIFICATION: B2.2399
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

B2.3 THE PIETIST FAMILY

NAME-1: **BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH**
NAME-2: **IGLESIA EVANGELICA HERMANOS EN CRISTO DE VENEZUELA**
TRADITION: ANABAPTIST-MENNONITE
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: UBC CLASSIFICATION: B2.32101
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: 29056 ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Montalban 1021, Caracas
DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: MENNONITE WORLD CONFERENCE
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: FRANCE
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: **EVANGELICAL METHODIST CHURCH IN VENEZUELA**
NAME-2: **IGLESIA EVANGELICA METODISTA EN VENEZUELA**
TRADITION: PIETIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SMC CLASSIFICATION: B2.32131
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SOUTHERN METHODIST CHURCH
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: **ASSOCIATION OF EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCHES**
NAME-2: **ASOCIACION DE IGLESIAS EVANGELICAS LIBRES**
TRADITION: PIETIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ADIEL CLASSIFICATION: B2.3302
PRESIDENT-CEO: Dr. Emery Bastidas CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 475 ZIPCODE: 2101 CITY: MARACY STATE: ARAGUA
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: MARACY ZIPCODE: 2101 STATE / PROVINCE: ARAGUA
TELEPHONES: 43 464 647 FAX: 43 464 647
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE: 1953 (1898)
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCHES IN NORTH AMERICA (EFCA)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: VENEZUELAN ORGANIZATION OF EVANGELICAL CHURCHES OF CHRIST
NAME-2: ORGANIZACION VENEZOLANA DE IGLESIAS EVANGELICAS DE CRISTO

TRADITION: PIETIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: OVICE CLASSIFICATION: B2.3303
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 355 ZIPCODE: CITY: SAN CRISTOBAL STATE: TACHIRA
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: DIRECCION NATIONAL DE OVICE, INSTITUTO BÍBLICO EBENEZER, CASA NO. 1-89,
AVENIDA PRINCIPAL DE PUEBLO NUEVO, SAN CRISTOBAL, ESTADO TACHIRA, VENEZUELA
DISTRICT: CITY: SAN CRISTOBAL ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: TACHIRA
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET: <http://www.ovice.org/x/>
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: FRATERNAL TIES WITH THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE MISSION (TEAM)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: ASSOCIATION OF EVANGELICAL CHURCHES OF THE EAST
NAME-2: ASOCIACION DE IGLESIAS EVANGELICAS DEL ORIENTE

TRADITION: PIETIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ASIGEO CLASSIFICATION: B2.33031
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ORINOCO RIVER MISSION: 1920-1980; TEAM, 1980 TO PRESENT
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA
NOTE: Orinoco River Mission began as independent work in 1914 by Dr. Van Eding; the affiliated national church body is called ASIGEO (Asociación de Iglesias Evangélicas del Oriente); this was a nondenominational mission organization founded in 1963 in California to evangelize, establish indigenous churches, and train leaders and workers; the U.S. mission headquarters was located in South Pasadena, California; merged with TEAM in 1980.
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

B2.4 THE INDEPENDENT FUNDAMENTALIST FAMILY

NAME-1: BRETHREN GATHERED IN THE NAME OF JESUS

NAME-2: HERMANOS CONGREGADOS EN EL NOMBRE DEL SEÑOR

TRADITION: INDEPENDENT FUNDAMENTALIST – OPEN BRETHREN

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: HCNS CLASSIFICATION: B2.401

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://www.localevangeltico.org.ve/> <http://www.paginasprodigy.com/hermanoscongregados/>

http://msc.on.ca/webapp/countries.php?state=view&country_id=VENE

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: MISSIONS SERVICE COMMITTEE CANADA

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: CANADA

NAME-1: NEW TRIBES MISSION CHURCHES

NAME-2: MISION A NUEVAS TRIBUS

TRADITION: INDEPENDENT FUNDAMENTALIST

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: NTM CLASSIFICATION: B2.412

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: NEW TRIBES MISSION

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: THE WAY INTERNATIONAL

NAME-2: EL CAMINO INTERNACIONAL

TRADITION: INDEPENDENT FUNDAMENTALIST

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CLASSIFICATION: B2.413

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: THE WAY INTERNATIONAL
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: NEW KNOXVILLE, OHIO, USA

B2.5 THE HOLINESS FAMILY

NAME-1: **SALVATION ARMY, THE**
NAME-2: **EJERCITO DE SALVACION**

TRADITION: HOLINESS
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: TSA CLASSIFICATION: B2.502
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: Apartado Postal 322 ZIPCODE: CITY: Maracaibo STATE: ZULIA
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Calle 71 # 14A-63, Juana de Avila, Maracaibo, Estado Zulia, Venezuela
DISTRICT: CITY: MARACAIBO ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: ZULIA
TELEPHONES: (58-61) 98-3761 FAX: (58-61) 98-3761
E-MAIL: ejersalvacolom@yahoo.com
INTERNET: www.ejercitodesalvacion.com
FOUNDING DATE: 1972
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SALVATION ARMY, THE
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: ENGLAND

NAME-1: **CHURCH OF GOD (ANDERSON, IN)**
NAME-2: **IGLESIA DE DIOS (ANDERSON, IN)**
TRADITION: HOLINESS
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: COGA CLASSIFICATION: B2.503
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CHURCH OF GOD (ANDERSON, IN)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: **CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE OF VENEZUELA**
NAME-2: **IGLESIA DEL NAZARENO DE VENEZUELA**
TRADITION: HOLINESS
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CNAZ CLASSIFICATION: B2.506

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: **CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE**
NAME-2: **ALIANZA CRISTIANA Y MISIONERA**
TRADITION: HOLINESS
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ACM CLASSIFICATION: B2.509
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: THE CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: **UNITED WORLD CHURCH ASSOCIATION OF VENEZUELA**
NAME-2: **ASOCIACION DE IGLESIAS MUNDO UNIDO DE VENEZUELA**
TRADITION: HOLINESS
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: AIMUV CLASSIFICATION: B2.518
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE: 1946 in USA
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: UNITED WORLD MISSION
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: UNION MILLS, NORTH CAROLINA, USA
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: BIBLE MISSIONARY CHURCH
NAME-2: IGLESIA BIBLICA MISIONERA
 TRADITION: HOLINESS
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: BMC CLASSIFICATION: B2.519
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX:
 E-MAIL:
 INTERNET:
 FOUNDING DATE:
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: BIBLE MISSIONARY CHURCH
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: DENVER, COLORADO, USA

NAME-1: THE MISSIONARY CHURCH
NAME-2: LA IGLESIA MISIONERA
 TRADITION: HOLINESS
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: TMC CLASSIFICATION: B2.528
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX:
 E-MAIL:
 INTERNET:
 FOUNDING DATE:
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: THE MISSIONARY CHURCH
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: FORT WAYNE, INDIANA, USA

B2.6 THE RESTORATION MOVEMENT FAMILY

NAME-1: CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST
NAME-2: IGLESIA CRISTIANA-DISCIPULOS DE CRISTO
 TRADITION: RESTORATION MOVEMENT
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICDC CLASSIFICATION: B2.601
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX:
 E-MAIL:
 INTERNET:
 FOUNDING DATE:
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: THE CHRISTIAN CONGREGATION IN VENEZUELA

NAME-2: CONGREGACION CRISTIANA EN VENEZUELA

TRADITION: RESTORATION MOVEMENT

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: TCC CLASSIFICATION: B2.602

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: THE CHRISTIAN CONGREGATION IN THE USA

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: CHURCH OF CHRIST

NAME-2: IGLESIA DE CRISTO

TRADITION: RESTORATION MOVEMENT

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICIC CLASSIFICATION: B2.604

PRESIDENT-CEO: RONALD COX CEO-TITLE: PASTOR

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 61194 ZIPCODE: 1060 CITY: CARACAS STATE: DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: (58-2) 545-5768 / 541-6787 FAX:

E-MAIL: 74643.22@compuserve.com

INTERNET: http://church-of-christ.org/churches/Venezuela/DF_S.htm

<http://church-of-christ.org/churches/Venezuela/Venezuela.htm>

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CHRISTIAN CHURCHES-CHURCHES OF CHRIST

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

B2.7 OTHER SEPARATIST CHURCHES – UNCLASSIFIED

NAME-1: APOSTOLIC MISSIONARY EVANGELICAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH – NATIVE CHURCH OF APURE

NAME-2: IGLESIA CRISTIANA EVANGELICA MISIONERA APOSTOLICA – IGLESIA NATIVA DE APURE

TRADITION: PROTESTANT - UNCLASSIFIED

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICEMA CLASSIFICATION: B2.7

PRESIDENT-CEO: ARISTIDES DÍAZ CEO-TITLE: PASTOR GENERAL

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: FINCA BETEL, SAN FERNANDO, APURE STATE, VENEZUELA
 DISTRICT: SAN FERNANDO CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: APURE
 TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
 INTERNET:
 FOUNDING DATE: 1927
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: IGLESIA CRISTIANA EVANGELICAL MISIONERA APOSTOLICA – IGLESIA
 NATIVE DE APURE
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

B3.0 THE ADVENTIST TRADITION

B3.1 THE MILLERIST FAMILY – WORSHIPS ON SATURDAY

NAME-1: **SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH, VENEZUELAN-ANTILLIAN UNION**
 NAME-2: **IGLESIA ADVENTISTA DEL SEPTIMO DIA, UNION VENEZOLANA ANTILLANA**
 TRADITION: ADVENTIST
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SDAGC CLASSIFICATION: B3.101
 PRESIDENT-CEO: JULIO A. PALACIO CEO-TITLE: PRESIDENTE
 MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 842 ZIPCODE: CITY: BARQUISIMETO STATE: LARA
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Avenida Venezuela entre Bracamonte y Leones, Edificio Iglesia Adventista, Barquisimeto, Lara 3001, Venezuela
 DISTRICT: CITY: BARQUISIMETO ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: LARA
 TELEPHONES: (58-251) 255-3355 FAX: 255-3993 E-MAIL: venezuelauva@unionvenezolana.com
 INTERNET: <http://www.unionvenezolana.com/>
 FOUNDING DATE: 1908 (UNION 1927)
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: 667 NUMBER OF MISSIONS: 336
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 1,003
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 165,142 TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS: 2006
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH, GENERAL CONFERENCE
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA
 NOTE: THE VENEZUELAN-ANTILLIAN UNION INCLUDES THE TERRITORY OF VENEZUELA AND THE DUTCH WEST INDIES (CURACAO, ARUBA AND BONAIRE).

B3.2 THE MILLERIST FAMILY – WORSHIPS ON SUNDAY

B3.3 THE SABBATICAL CHURCH OF GOD FAMILY

B3.4 THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD FAMILY

NAME-1: **WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD**
 NAME-2: **IGLESIA DE DIOS UNIVERSAL**
 TRADITION: ADVENTIST
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: WCOG CLASSIFICATION: B3.400
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: 3365 ZIPCODE: 1010-A CITY: CARACAS STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CARACAS
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://www.wcg.org> <http://www.wcg.org/ESPANOL/index.htm>

FOUNDING DATE: 1933 in Oregon, USA

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NOTE 1: The Worldwide Church of God is a Christian denomination with about 64,000 members, worshipping in 860 congregations in about 90 nations. We began in Oregon in 1933 and are now headquartered in southern California. We are members of the National Association of Evangelicals. See **Brief History** – This is the story of how the Lord changed the Worldwide Church of God from an unorthodox church on the fringes of Christianity, into an evangelical church that believes and teaches orthodox doctrines: <http://www.wcg.org/lit/aboutus/history.htm>

NOTE 2: For a chart of splits off of the WCOG, see: <http://www.wcg.org/lit/aboutus/splits.htm>

B3.5 OTHER ADVENTIST-RELATED GROUPS

B4.0 THE PENTECOSTAL TRADITION

B4.01 THE APOSTOLIC FAITH PENTECOSTAL FAMILY

B4.02 THE PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS FAMILY

NAME-1: CHURCH OF GOD (CLEVELAND, TN)

NAME-2: IGLESIA DE DIOS (CLEVELAND, TN)

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-HOLINESS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: COGCT CLASSIFICATION: B4.0201

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CHURCH OF GOD (CLEVELAND, TN)

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: PENTECOSTAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES

NAME-2: IGLESIAS BAUTISTAS PENTECOSTALES DEL LIBRE ALBIDRILO

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-HOLINESS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: PFWBC CLASSIFICATION: B4.0203

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: PENTECOSTAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH OF VENEZUELA
NAME-2: IGLESIA DE SANTIDAD PENTECOSTAL DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-HOLINESS
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ISPI CLASSIFICATION: B4.0205
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: INTERNATIONAL PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
NAME-2: IGLESIA DE DIOS DE LA PROFESIA

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-HOLINESS
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CGPRO CLASSIFICATION: B4.0212
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

B4.03 THE NAME OF JESUS PENTECOSTAL FAMILY

NAME-1: UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA PENTECOSTAL UNIDA

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-ONENESS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: UPCI CLASSIFICATION: B4.0321

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH INTERNATIONAL

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

B4.04 THE FINISHED WORK PENTECOSTAL FAMILY

NAME-1: NATIONAL COUNCIL FEDERATION OF ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

NAME-2: FEDERACION CONCILIO NACIONAL ASAMBLEAS DE DIOS

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-FINISHED WORK

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: FCNADV CLASSIFICATION: B4.0401

PRESIDENT-CEO: Rev. Eliodoro Mora CEO-TITLE: President (Telephone: 0412-367-5619)

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: (0212) 870-4060 FAX: (0212) 872-0876

E-MAIL: concilioasambleasdedios@hotmail.com concilioasambleasdedios@gmail.com

INTERNET: <http://www.asambleasdedios.org.ve/index.htm>

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ASSEMBLIES OF GOD, GENERAL COUNCIL

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

NAME-2: ASAMBLEAS DE DIOS PENTECOSTAL

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-FINISHED WORK

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ADCG CLASSIFICATION: B4.0401

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ASSEMBLIES OF GOD, GENERAL COUNCIL
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD, INTL. MOVEMENT

NAME-2: IGLESIA DE DIOS PENTECOSTAL, M.I.

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-FINISHED WORK
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IDPMI CLASSIFICATION: B4.0406
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:
INTERNET: <http://iglesiadiospentecostal.org.ve/nueva/recien.php?lang=spanish>

FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: IGLESIA DE DIOS PENTECOSTAL, M.I.
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: Río Piedras, Puerto Rico

NAME-1: INTERNATIONAL CHURCH OF THE FOURSQUARE GOSPEL

NAME-2: IGLESIA INTERNACIONAL DEL EVANGELIO CUADRANGULAR

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-FINISHED WORK
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IIEC CLASSIFICATION: B4.0407
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:
INTERNET: <http://fmi.foursquare.org/countries/countries.sd?iid=43>

FOUNDING DATE: 1953
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 107
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 8,309 TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: INTERNATIONAL CHURCH OF THE FOURSQUARE GOSPEL
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: 1100 Glendale Blvd, Los Angeles, CA
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: PENTECOSTAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF THE WORLD-WIDE MISSIONARY MOVEMENT

NAME-2: IGLESIA CRISTIANA PENTECOSTES DEL MOVIMIENTO MISIONERO MUNDIAL

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-FINISHED WORK
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MMM CLASSIFICATION: B4.0416
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX:
 E-MAIL: mmmweb2000@yahoo.com
 INTERNET: http://www.geocities.com/mmm_web/
 FOUNDING DATE:
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: IGLESIA CRISTIANA PENTECOSTES DEL MOVIMIENTO MISIONERO MUNDIAL
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: Box 363644, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936-3644

NAME-1: LAS ACACIAS EVANGELICAL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA EVANGELICA PENTECOSTAL LAS ACACIAS

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-FINISHED WORK
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IIP CLASSIFICATION: B4.0499
 PRESIDENT-CEO: SAMUEL OLSEN CEO-TITLE: SENIOR PASTOR
 MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 40079 ZIPCODE: 1040-A CITY: CARACAS STATE: DF
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Av. Roosevelt con Av. Los Samanes, El Cementerio, Caracas, Venezuela
 DISTRICT: EL CEMENTERIO CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
 TELEPHONES: (0212) 631-4710 FAX: (0212) 631-4797
 E-MAIL: gerencia@acacias.org.ve
 INTERNET: <http://www.acacias.org.ve/>
 FOUNDING DATE: 1954
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:
 AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA
 NOTE: A SPLIT FROM THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD IN 1954

B4.05 THE SABBATICAL PENTECOSTAL FAMILY

B4.06 THE DELIVERANCE MOVEMENT PENTECOSTAL FAMILY

B4.07 THE LATTER RAIN PENTECOSTAL FAMILY

B4.08 THE CHARISMATIC - PENTECOSTAL FAMILY

NAME-1: VINEYARD MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL

NAME-2: ASOC. DE IGLESIAS LA VIÑA

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-CHARISMATIC
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: VMI CLASSIFICATION: B4.0808
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX:
 E-MAIL:
 INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: VINEYARD MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

B4.09 THE SHEPHERDING PENTECOSTAL FAMILY

B4.10 THE WORD OF FAITH PENTECOSTAL FAMILY

B4.11 OTHER PENTECOSTAL GROUPS - UNCLASSIFIED

NAME-1: ASSOCIATION OF FREE PENIEL PENTECOSTAL CHURCHES

NAME-2: ASOCIACION IGLESIA PENTECOSTAL PENIEL LIBRE

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-UNCLASSIFIED
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: AIPPL CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: ASSOCIATION OF PENIEL PENTECOSTAL CHURCHES

NAME-2: ASOCIACION IGLESIA PENTECOSTAL PENIEL

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-UNCLASSIFIED
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: AIPP CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: PENIEL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:
NOTE: THIS MAY BE THE SAME GROUP AS "FEDERACIÓN DE IGLESIAS PENIEL DE VENEZUELA"

NAME-1: EBENEZER PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
NAME-2: IGLESIA PENTECOSTAL EBENEZER
TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-UNCLASSIFIED
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IIP CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: EMMAUS PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
NAME-2: IGLESIA PENTECOSTAL EMMAUS
TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-UNCLASSIFIED
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IIP CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF THE CROSS
NAME-2: IGLESIA EVANGELICA DE LA CRUZ
TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IELC CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: ZULIA
TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE: 1958, FOUNDED BY SACRAMENTO COBOS
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:
NOTE: A SPLIT FROM THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD IN 1958

NAME-1: FEDERATION OF PENIEL CHURCH OF VENEZUELA
NAME-2: FEDERACION DE IGLESIAS PENIEL DE VENEZUELA
 TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-UNCLASSIFIED
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: FIPV CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
 PRESIDENT-CEO: Jaime Botello CEO-TITLE: Senior Pastor
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: (0241) 847-0353 FAX: E-MAIL: infopeniel@correointeligente.com
 INTERNET:
 FOUNDING DATE:
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: GOOD SHEPHERD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
NAME-2: IGLESIA PENTECOSTAL DEL BUEN PASTOR
 TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-UNCLASSIFIED
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IIP CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
 INTERNET:
 FOUNDING DATE:
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: LIGHT OF THE WORLD INTERNATIONAL
NAME-2: OBRA EVANGELICA LUZ DEL MUNDO INTERNACIONAL
 TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: OELMI CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
 PRESIDENT-CEO: JUAN RAFAEL LUQUEZ G. CEO-TITLE: PRESIDENT
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: SEGUNDA CALLE, BARRIO COLOMBIA NORTE, GUANARE, VENEZUELA
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: GUANARE
 TELEPHONES: 0257-251-5667 FAX: E-MAIL: luzmundo@contv.net
 INTERNET: <http://www.obraluzdelmundo.com>
 FOUNDER-FOUNDING DATE: Jaime Banks Puertas, 1968 (LEGALIZED 1977)
 HISTORY: <http://www.obraluzdelmundo.com/secundarias/historia/historia.html>
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: OBRA EVANGELICA LUZ DEL MUNDO INTERNACIONAL
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

NAME-1: "ON THE ROCK" EVANGELICAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA CRISTIANA EVANGELICA "SOBRE LA ROCA"

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL - UNCLASSIFIED

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICESR **CLASSIFICATION:** B4.1100

PRESIDENT-CEO: ADONIRAN DIAZ CH. **CEO-TITLE:** SENIOR PASTOR

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Edif. Santa Rita, Piso 2, Avenida Paéz, El Paraiso, Diagonal a la Plaza Washington, Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: EL PARAISO **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58-2) 451-6040 / 451-6015 **FAX:**

E-MAIL: sobrelaroca@cantv.net

INTERNET: <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Prairie/1337/index.htm>

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: IGLESIA CRISTIANA EVANGELICA "SOBRE LA ROCA"

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

NAME-1: PENIEL I PENTECOSTAL MISSIONARY CHURCH ASSOCIATION

NAME-2: ASOCIACION DE IGLESIAS MISIONERAS PENTECOSTALES PENIEL I

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: AIMPPi **CLASSIFICATION:** B4.1100

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

AFFILIATION: EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA (CEV)

NAME-1: PENTECOSTAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA CRISTIANA PENTECOSTAL

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-UNCLASSIFIED

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICP **CLASSIFICATION:** B4.1100

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: PENTECOSTAL EVANGELICAL NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

NAME-2: ORGANIZACION NACIONAL EVANGELICA PENTECOSTAL

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ONEP CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:
AFFILIATION: EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA (CEV)

NAME-1: VENEZUELAN PENTECOSTAL EVANGELICAL CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA EVANGELICA PENTECOSTAL VENEZOLANA

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IEPV CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:
AFFILIATION: EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA (CEV)

NAME-1: VENEZUELAN PENTECOSTAL EVANGELICAL UNION

NAME-2: UNION EVANGELICA PENTECOSTAL VENEZOLANA

TRADITION: PENTECOSTAL-UNCLASSIFIED
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: UEPV CLASSIFICATION: B4.1100
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 388 ZIPCODE: CITY: MARACAIBO STATE: ZULIA
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CALLE KOREA NO. 102 F-17, LA POMONA, MARACAIBO, ZULIA
DISTRICT: LA POMONA CITY: MARACAIBO ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: ZULIA

TELEPHONES: (58-261) 723-7205 FAX:
E-MAIL: cepaven@cantv.net
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:
AFFILIATIONS: LATIN AMERICAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES - CLAI

B5.0 UNCLASSIFIED PROTESTANT GROUPS

NAME-1: **CHURCH OF THE CRUSADE**
NAME-2: **IGLESIA DE LA CRUZADA**
TRADITION: PROTESTANT – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ILC CLASSIFICATION: B5.0
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: **EMANUEL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**
NAME-2: **IGLESIA EVANGELICA EMANUEL**
TRADITION: PROTESTANT – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IEEM CLASSIFICATION: B5.0
PRESIDENT-CEO: GILBERTO NIEVES CEO-TITLE: GOVERNING PASTOR
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: EVANGELICAL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES FOR LATIN AMERICA
NAME-2: IGLESIAS CRISTIANAS EVANGELICAS PARA AMERICA LATINA

TRADITION: PROTESTANT – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICEPAL CLASSIFICATION: B5.0
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:
AFFILIATION: EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA (CEV)

NAME-1: FEDERATION OF MIZPA CHURCHES OF VENEZUELA
NAME-2: FEDERACION DE IGLESIAS MIZPA DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: PROTESTANT – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: FIMV CLASSIFICATION: B5.0
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:
AFFILIATION: MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-1: JESUS IS COMING CHURCH
NAME-2: IGLESIA CRISTO VIENE

TRADITION: PROTESTANT – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICV CLASSIFICATION: B5.0
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: PENIEL EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION OF VENEZUELA

NAME-2: ASOCIACION EVANGELISTICA PENIEL DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: PROTESTANT – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: AEPV CLASSIFICATION: B5.0

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

AFFILIATION: EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA (CEV)

NAME-1: THE GOOD SHEPHERD FEDERATION

NAME-2: FEDERACION EL BUEN PASTOR

TRADITION: PROTESTANT – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: FEBP CLASSIFICATION: B5.0

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

AFFILIATION: EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA (CEV)

NAME-1: VENEZUELAN CONFRATERNITY OF EVANGELAL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

NAME-2: CONFRATERNIDAD DE IGLESIAS CRISTIANAS EVANGELICAS VENEZOLANAS

TRADITION: PROTESTANT – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CICEV CLASSIFICATION: B5.0

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:
AFFILIATION: EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA (CEV)

NAME-1: VENEZUELAN EVANGELICAL MISSIONARY UNION

NAME-2: UNION MISIONERA EVANGELICA VENZOLANA

TRADITION: PROTESTANT – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: UMEV CLASSIFICATION: B5.0

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

AFFILIATION: EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA (CEV)

NAME-1: WORLD EVANGELICAL CRUSADE OF VENEZUELA

NAME-2: CRUZADA MUNDIAL EVANGELICA DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: PROTESTANT – UNKNOWN CLASSIFICATION

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CMEV CLASSIFICATION: B5.0

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

AFFILIATION: EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA (CEV)

B6.0 INTRA-FAITH PROTESTANT ORGANIZATIONS

NAME-1: EVANGELICAL COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

NAME-2: CONSEJO EVANGELICO DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: PROTESTANT – INTRA-FAITH ORGANIZATIONS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CEV **CLASSIFICATION:** B6.0

PRESIDENT-CEO: REV. JACOBO GARCIA M. **CEO-TITLE:** PRESIDENT

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 61152 **ZIPCODE:** CHACAO 1000-A **CITY:** CARACAS **STATE:** DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Av. Francisco de Miranda con Calle Mohedano, Edif. Sorocaima, Mezzanina 1, Chacao, Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: CHACAO **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58-2) 264-1268 **FAX:** (58-2) 265-3451 **E-MAIL:** cev@cantv.net

INTERNET: http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Prairie/3896/miembros_OE.htm

FOUNDING DATE: 1972

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS: ABOUT 80 (INCLUDING DENOMINATIONS, INDEPENDENT CHURCHES AND SERVICE AGENCIES)

INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATIONS: WORLD EVANGELICAL FELLOWSHIP (WEF)

NAME-1: UNITED BIBLE SOCIETIES IN VENEZUELA

NAME-2: SOCIEDADES BÍBLICAS UNIDAS EN VENEZUELA

TRADITION: PROTESTANT – INTRA-FAITH ORGANIZATIONS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: **CLASSIFICATION:**

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Esquina calle 5 y 8, Edificio Molisanó PB, Urbanización La Urbina, Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: Urbanización La Urbina **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** 1070 **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58-2) 242-5633 / 5024 **FAX:** 242-2476

E-MAIL: sbu-ven@cantv.net

INTERNET: www.ubs-ven.org <http://www.labibliaweb.com/articulo/10/80>

FOUNDING DATE: 1820

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: UNITED BIBLE SOCIETIES

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: READING, ENGLAND

PART C: OTHER (MARGINAL) CHRISTIAN GROUPS

C1.0 GROUPS WITH ROOTS IN THE ADVENTIST MOVEMENT

NAME-1: WATCHTOWER BIBLE & TRACT SOCIETY – JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

NAME-2: SOCIEDAD DE LA BIBLIA Y TRATADOS LA TORRE DEL VIGÍA - LOS TESTIGOS DE JEHOVÁ

TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN: ADVENTIST RELATED GROUPS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: **CLASSIFICATION:** C1.03

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 20-364 **ZIPCODE:** 1020-A **CITY:** CARACAS **STATE:** DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://www.watchtower.org>

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 1,297

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: 330,331 **DATE OF STATISTICS:** 2005 WORLDWIDE REPORT:

http://www.watchtower.org/statistics/worldwide_report.htm

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: THE WATCHTOWER BIBLE AND TRACT SOCIETY OF NEW YORK, INC.

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD

NAME-2: IGLESIA DE DIOS FILADELFIA

TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN-ADVENTIST RELATED

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IDF **CLASSIFICATION:** C1.0505

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

C2.0 COMMUNAL TRADITION

C3.0 JESUS PEOPLE TRADITION

NAME-1: CHILDREN OF GOD - FAMILY OF GOD – THE FAMILY INTERNATIONAL

NAME-2: NIÑOS DE DIOS - FAMILIA DE DIOS – LA FAMILIA INTERNACIONAL

TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN-JESUS PEOPLE

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CGFG CLASSIFICATION: C3.03
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX:
 E-MAIL: familia@lafamilia.org
 INTERNET: <http://www.thefamily.org/> <http://www.thefamily.org/work/country.php3?countryarray=26|Venezuela>
 FOUNDING DATE: 1968 in Huntington Beach, California
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CHILDREN OF GOD - FAMILY OF GOD
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA
 LINKS: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Children_of_God <http://religiousmovements.lib.virginia.edu/nrms/Family.html>
<http://www.exfamily.org/index.htm> http://www.religioustolerance.org/fam_love.htm

C4.0 LATTER-DAY SAINTS-MORMON TRADITION

NAME-1: **CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS**
 NAME-2: **IGLESIA DE JESUCRISTO DE LOS SANTOS DE LOS ULTIMOS DIAS**
 TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN-MORMON RELATED
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: LDS CLASSIFICATION: C4.01
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: AVENIDA C CON CALLE C-1, URBANIZACION CAURIMARE, CARACAS
 DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: MIRANDA
 TELEPHONES: (58-212) 985-9123, 985-8918, 985-9466 FAX: 985-9465
 E-MAIL:
 INTERNET: www.iglesiadejesucristo.org.co/conten8_8ven.htm
 FOUNDING DATE:
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

C5.0 LIBERAL TRADITION (RECLASSIFIED: SEE PART F)

C6.0 METAPHYSICAL-NEW THOUGHT TRADITION

NAME-1: **FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST**
 NAME-2: **PRIMERA IGLESIA DE CRISTO, CIENTISTA**
 TRADITION: CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MOVEMENT
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: COCS CLASSIFICATION: C6.101
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: Apartado 61084 ZIPCODE: 1060 CITY: CARACAS STATE: DF
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Edificio Siclar, #12, Avenida Libertador, La Florida, Caracas, Venezuela
 DISTRICT: LA FLORIDA CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
 TELEPHONES: FAX:
 E-MAIL:
 INTERNET: <http://www.churchofchristscientist.org/> <http://168.203.8.11/church.gry?function=form>
 FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: THE CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: BOSTON, MA, USA

C7.0 OTHER MARGINAL CHRISTIAN GROUPS

NAME-1: LIGHT OF THE WORLD CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA DE DIOS VIVO, COLUMNA Y APOYO DE LA VERDAD, LA LUZ DEL MUNDO

TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN – LATIN AMERICA

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ILM CLASSIFICATION: C7.0501

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Calle No. 17-130, Barrio San Isidro, Santa Bárbara, Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: Santa Bárbara CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: www.luzdelmundo.net.org <http://www.ildm.org>

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: IGLESIA LUZ DEL MUNDO

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: Col. Hermosa Providencia, Guadalajara, Mexico

NAME-1: MITA CONGREGATION

NAME-2: IGLESIA CONGREGACION MITA

TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN – LATIN AMERICA

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MITA CLASSIFICATION: C7.0502

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Calle La Barrera 05-14, Quinta Albacarril, Urb. Guaicaipuro, Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: URBANIZACION GUAICAIPURO CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF

TELEPHONES: (58-2) 573-7421, 572-1519 FAX: E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://www.congregacionmita.org/>

FOUNDING DATE: 1940 in Puerto Rico

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 3 in Venezuela

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: IGLESIA CONGREGACION MITA

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: PUERTO RICO

NAME-1: GOD IS LOVE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA PENTECOSTAL DIOS ES AMOR

TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN – LATIN AMERICA

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IPDA CLASSIFICATION: C7.0504

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
INTERNET: <http://www.ipda.com.br/>
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: IGLESIA PENTECOSTAL DIOS ES AMOR
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: BRAZIL

NAME-1: THE VOICE OF THE CORNERSTONE

NAME-2: LA VOZ DE LA PIEDRA ANGULAR

TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN – LATIN AMERICA
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: LVPA CLASSIFICATION: C7.0505
PRESIDENT-CEO: Jairo Ordoñez CEO-TITLE: Pastor
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Centro Misionero "La Voz de La Piedra Angular" - Barrio Simón Bolívar Av. 58A, # 99-H - 1-20 a 100 mts. antes de la Inspección de Tránsito, Maracaibo, Estado Zulia, Venezuela
DISTRICT: CITY: MARACAIBO ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: ZULIA
TELEPHONES: (58-261) 786-8863 FAX:
E-MAIL: asoc-voangular@cantv.net
INTERNET: <http://www.carpa.com/direcciones/?pais=Venezuela>
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: VOZ DE LA PIEDRA ANGULAR (WILLIAM SOTO SANTIAGO)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: PUERTO RICO

NAME-1: UNIVERSAL CHURCH OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

NAME-2: IGLESIA UNIVERSAL DEL REINO DE DIOS (ORACION FUERTE AL ESPIRITU SANTO – PARE DE SUFRIR)

TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN - LATIN AMERICA
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IURD CLASSIFICATION: C7.0506
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Boulevard de Sabana Grande, frente a la estación del Metro Cacaito, Antiguo Cine Broadway, Caracas, Venezuela
DISTRICT: CACAITO CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: (0212) 952-0042 FAX: E-MAIL:
INTERNET: <http://www.paredesufrir.com.ve/>
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS: 81
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS: 2004
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: IGLESIA UNIVERSAL DEL REINO DE DIOS: <http://www.bispomacedo.com.br/>
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: BRAZIL

NAME-1: GROWING IN GRACE CHURCH

NAME-2: IGLESIA CRECIENDO EN GRACIA

TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN – LATIN AMERICA

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ICG **CLASSIFICATION:** C7.0508

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: SALA TEATRO SOLISTA DE VENEZUELA, SÓTANO 1, TORRE OESTE, PARQUE CENTRAL, URB. EL CONDE, CARACAS

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: 631-9127 **FAX:**

E-MAIL: caracas@creciendoengracia.com

INTERNET: www.creciendoengracia.com

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: GROWING IN GRACE CHURCH

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: ALPHA & OMEGA STUDENT MOVEMENT

NAME-2: MOVIMIENTO ESTUDIANTIL ALFA Y OMEGA

TRADITION: MARGINAL CHRISTIAN GROUPS – LATIN AMERICA

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MAYO **CLASSIFICATION:** C7.0509

PRESIDENT-CEO: Rubén Darío Pérez **CEO-TITLE:** Leader

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Av. Berlín, Quinta El Moral, la California Norte, Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: CALIFORNIA NORTE **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58-414) 202-9722 / 271-6229 **FAX:**

E-MAIL: centicaracas@cantv.net

INTERNET: <http://www.mayolatino.com/venezuela.htm>

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: MOVIMIENTO ESTUDIANTIL ALFA Y OMEGA - MAYO

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: COLOMBIA

PART D: NON-CHRISTIAN RELIGIONS

D1.0 EASTERN RELIGIOUS GROUPS, SECTION I

D1.1 THE BUDDHIST TRADITION

NAME-1: DHARMA REALM BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION
NAME-2: ASOCIACION BUDISTA DHARMA REALM
TRADITION: BUDDHIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: DRBA CLASSIFICATION: D1.10304
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: DHARMA REALM BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: HONG KONG, CALIFORNIA-USA

NAME-1: SOKKA GAKKAI INTERNATIONAL
NAME-2: SOKKA GAKKAI INTERNACIONAL
TRADITION: BUDDHIST: NICHIREN SHOSHU – SOKA GAKKAI
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SGI CLASSIFICATION: D1.10507
PRESIDENT-CEO: Enrique Regalado CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Centro Cultural SGIV, 4 Avenida con 4 Transversal, Los Palos Grandes, Caracas 1062
DISTRICT: LOS PALOS GRANDES CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: 1062 STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: 2-285-8805 FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET: <http://www.sgi.org/> http://www.sgi.org/about/around_the_world/directory/south-america.html
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SOKKA GAKKAI INTERNATIONAL
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: JAPAN

NAME-1: CARACAS SOTO ZEN CENTER
NAME-2: CENTRO SOTO ZEN DE CARACAS
TRADITION: BUDDHIST: SOTO ZEN SCHOOL (Lineage: Taisen Deshimaru)
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: DOJO CLASSIFICATION: D1.10508
PRESIDENT-CEO: Daniel Márquez CEO-TITLE: Director
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Nivel jardín, local J-14, Centro Comercial San Ignacio, La Castellana, CARACAS 1060
DISTRICT: LA CASTELLANA CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: 1060 STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: (58-414) 122-4807 FAX:
E-MAIL: zencaracas@latinmail.com
INTERNET: http://iriz.hanazono.ac.jp/zen_centers/centers_data/venezuel.htm
FOUNDING DATE:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SOTO ZEN SCHOOL (Lineage: Taisen Deshimaru)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: JAPAN

NAME-1: **DOJO HO UN DO**

NAME-2: **DOJO HO UN DO**

TRADITION: BUDDHIST: SOTO ZEN SCHOOL (Lineage: Taisen Deshimaru)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: DOJO CLASSIFICATION: D1.10508

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 528 ZIPCODE: CITY: SAN CRISTOBAL STATE: TACHIRA

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: 014-764-431 FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SOTO ZEN SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: JAPAN

NAME-1: **DOJO ZEN BODAI SHIN**

NAME-2: **DOJO ZEN BODAI SHIN**

TRADITION: BUDDHIST: SOTO ZEN SCHOOL (Lineage: Taisen Deshimaru)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: DOJO CLASSIFICATION: D1.10508

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO POSTAL 48016 ZIPCODE: 1041A CITY: CARACAS STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: 02-662-4435 FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SOTO ZEN SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: JAPAN

NAME-1: **DOJO ZEN BUPPO**

NAME-2: **DOJO ZEN BUPPO**

TRADITION: BUDDHIST: SOTO ZEN SCHOOL (Lineage: Taisen Deshimaru)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: DOJO CLASSIFICATION: D1.10508

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CALLE LOS GERANIOS 112-126, QTA. RUTH, URB. LOMAS DEL ESTE, VALENCIA

DISTRICT: URB. LOMAS DEL ESTE CITY: VALENCIA ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: 041-580-007 FAX:

E-MAIL: hespinoz@saira.postgrado.cid.ve

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SOTO ZEN SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: JAPAN

NAME-1: **DOJO ZEN FU SEN DO**

NAME-2: **DOJO ZEN FU SEN DO**

TRADITION: BUDDHIST: SOTO ZEN SCHOOL (Lineage: Taisen Deshimaru)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: DOJO CLASSIFICATION: D1.10508
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: URB. COROMOTO, AV. 10 CON 67, AV. CECILIO ACOSTA, MARACAIBO
DISTRICT: URB. CECILIO ACOSTA CITY: MARACAIBO ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: 061-914-398 FAX:
E-MAIL: INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SOTO ZEN SCHOOL
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: JAPAN

NAME-1: KARMA THEGSUM CHOLING
NAME-2: KARMA THEGSUM CHOLING
TRADITION: KARMA KAGYU LINEAGE – DIAMOND WAY BUDDHISM
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: KTC CLASSIFICATION: D1.10604
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: AVENIDA LIBERTADOR, ED. 47, CARACAS, VENEZUELA
DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: 582-731-0338 FAX: 582-284-5283
E-MAIL: c-ctc@hotmail.com
INTERNET: <http://www.diamondway-buddhism.org>
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: KARMA KAGYU LINEAGE – DIAMOND WAY BUDDHISM
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: TIBET

NAME-1: INTERNATIONAL ZEN ASSOCIATION
NAME-2: ASOCIACION ZEN INTERNATIONAL
TRADITION: BUDDHIST
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: AZI CLASSIFICATION: D1.10701
PRESIDENT-CEO: Luis Molina Tirado CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Calle Calcaño, Qta. Claretiana, Urb. Santa Monica, Caracas
DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: 662 4749 FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET: http://iriz.hanazono.ac.jp/zen_centers/centers_data/venezuel.htm
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: INTERNATIONAL ZEN ASSOCIATION
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: PARIS, FRANCE

NAME-1: BUDDHIST CENTER CARACAS
NAME-2: CENTRO BUDDHIST CARACAS
TRADITION: KARMA KAGYU LINEAGE – DIAMOND WAY BUDDHISM
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: BCC CLASSIFICATION: D1.10604
PRESIDENT-CEO: DILIA NAVARRO CEO-TITLE: DIRECTORA
MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 88520 ZIPCODE: 1080 CITY: CARACAS STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: (58-212) 184-9514, 753-4554 MOBILE: (58-414) 239-6465
E-MAIL: Caracas@diamondway-center.org
INTERNET: <http://www.diamondway-buddhism.org/default.asp?col=04&t=centerlist.htm&CenterID=35>
FOUNDING DATE: 1991
AFFILIATED GROUPS: 8 IN VENEZUELA

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: KARMA KAGYU LINEAGE – DIAMOND WAY BUDDHISM
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: TIBET

NAME-1: BUDDHIST CENTER OF MERIDA

NAME-2: CENTRO BUDISTA DE MERIDA

TRADITION: BUDDHIST

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: FWBO **CLASSIFICATION:** D1.10702

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 108 **ZIPCODE:** 5101-A **CITY:** MERIDA **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Calle 16 entre Avenida 5 y 6, No 5-67, Ciudad Mérida, Mérida, Venezuela

DISTRICT: **CITY:** CIUDAD MERIDA **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** MERIDA

TELEPHONES: 074-252-9602 **FAX:**

E-MAIL: manjunatha@hotmail.com

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE: 1994 in Mérida

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: FRIENDS OF THE WESTERN BUDDHIST ORDER – FWBO / LOS AMIGOS DE LA ORDEN BUDISTA OCCIDENTAL (AOBO) - <http://www.fwbo.org/>

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: ENGLAND-LONDON

D1.2 CHINESE RELIGIONS

NAME-1: CHINESE RELIGIONS

NAME-2: RELIGIONES CHINAS

TRADITION: CHINESE RELIGIONS: <http://www2.kenyon.edu/depts/Religion/Fac/Adler/Reln270/LINKS270.htm>

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: **CLASSIFICATION:** D1.2

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: **FAX:**

E-MAIL: **INTERNET:**

FOUNDING DATE: older immigrants before 1900; later immigrants after 1947, mainly Cantonese and Taiwanese-speaking.

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NOTE: estimates of the Chinese population in Venezuela range from 60,000 to 150,000 to 400,000; see the following articles: <http://www.gio.gov.tw/info/nation/sp/fcr/2000/4/p44.htm>

http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=VE

<http://archives.econ.utah.edu/archives/cubanews/2006w48/msg00018.htm>

D1.3 JAPANESE RELIGIONS

D2.0 EASTERN RELIGIOUS GROUPS, SECTION II

D2.1 THE HINDU TRADITION

NAME-1: INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS

NAME-2: SOCIEDAD INTERNACIONAL PARA LA CONCIENCIA DE KRISHNA

TRADITION: HINDU
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ISKCON CLASSIFICATION: D2.10103
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: ISKCON, AVENIDA BERLIN, QUINTA TIA LOLA, LA CALIFORNIA NORTE, CARACAS
 DISTRICT: LA CALIFORNIA NORTE CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: 582-22-5463 FAX:
 E-MAIL:
 INTERNET: <http://latam.msnusers.com/ISKCONVENEZUELA/COMUNICACIONES/bienvenidosaiskcon.msnw>
 FOUNDING DATE:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS (ISKCON)
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: Alachua, Florida, USA - <http://www.iskcon.com/>
 NOTE ALTERNATIVE ADDRESS: Avenida La Colina, Quinta El Carmen, Las Acacias, Caracas (Tel. 690-2128)

NAME-1: **SRI CHAITANYA SARASWATI MATH**
 NAME-2: **SRI CHAITANYA SARASWATI MATH**
 TRADITION: HINDU
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SCSM CLASSIFICATION: D2.10107
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Sri Chaitanya Sridhar Govinda Seva Ashram - Avenida Tuy con Avenida Chama, Quinta Parama Karuna, Caracas, Venezuela
 DISTRICT: QUINTA PARAMA KARUNA CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
 TELEPHONES: 212-754-1257 FAX:
 E-MAIL: contacto@paramakaruna.org.ve
 INTERNET: http://www.scsmath.com/docs/sridhar_maharaj.html
 FOUNDING DATE / FOUNDER: Srila Bhakti Rakshak Sridhar Dev-Goswami Maharaj
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SRI CHAITANYA SARASWATI MATH
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: INDIA (WEST BENGAL)

NAME-1: **GAUDIYA VAISHNAVA SOCIETY**
 NAME-2: **SOCIEDAD GAUDIYA VAISHNAVA**
 TRADITION: HINDU
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: GVS CLASSIFICATION: D2.10199
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX:
 E-MAIL: swami@swami.org
 INTERNET: <http://www.wva-vvrs.org/> <http://www.swami.org/sanga/>
 FOUNDING DATE / FOUNDER: 1975, Swami B.V. Tripurari
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: GAUDIYA VAISHNAVA SOCIETY
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA (Audarya Ashram, Philo, CA)

NAME-1: **TRANSCENDENTAL MEDITATION (TM) MOVEMENT**
 NAME-2: **MOVIMIENTO MEDITACION TRANSCENDENTAL**
 TRADITION: HINDU
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: TM CLASSIFICATION: D2.107
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://www.maharishitm.org/en/>
FOUNDING DATE / FOUNDER: 1957, Maharishi Mahesh Yogi
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: TRANSCENDENTAL MEDITATION (TM) - THE MAHARISHI INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA, LEBANON

NAME-1: INTERNATIONAL SRI SATHYA SAI BABA ORGANIZATION

NAME-2: ORGANIZACIÓN SRI SATHYA SAI BABA INTERNACIONAL

TRADITION: HINDU

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: OSSSBI CLASSIFICATION: D2.113

PRESIDENT-CEO: Arlette Meyer CEO-TITLE: Directora

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Edificio Acapulco, First Floor, Apartamento 1, Sabana Grande, Caracas

DISTRICT: SABANA GRANDE CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF

TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:

INTERNET: www.sathyasai.org <http://www.sathyasai.org/organize/countryintros/venezuela.html>

FOUNDING DATE: 1974

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: INTERNATIONAL SRI SATHYA SAI BABA ORGANIZATION

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: Annapur, India

NAME-1: GRACE ESSENCE FELLOWSHIP

NAME-2: COMPAÑERISMO DE LA ESENCIA DE GRACIA

TRADITION: HINDU

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: GEF CLASSIFICATION: D2.118

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CARACAS, VENEZUELA

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: GRACE ESSENCE FELLOWSHIP

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NOTE: Specializes in meditation techniques of Vajrayana and Dzogchen; trained in the kriya yoga system of Swami Rudrananda.

NAME-1: SRI RUPANUGA SRIDHAR ASHRAM

NAME-2: SRI RUPANUGA SRIDHAR ASHRAM

TRADITION: HINDU

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SRSA CLASSIFICATION: D2.199

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Calle Orinoco, Ramal 2, Qta. Nº 16, Colinas de Bello Monte, Caracas

DISTRICT: COLINAS DE BELLO MONTE CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF

TELEPHONES: 752-5265 FAX:

E-MAIL: harikir@aol.com

INTERNET: <http://www.mandala.com.au/temples.htm> <http://www.scsmath.com/index.html>

FOUNDING DATE:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SRI RUPANUGA SRIDHAR ASHRAM

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: INDIA (WEST BENGAL)

NOTE ALTERNATIVE ADDRESS: Socarras a Puente Yanez, Edificio Caribia, Local 7, Caracas, Venezuela

NOTE ALTERNATIVE PHONES: 2-572-8098 & 2-576-4906

D2.2 THE JAIN TRADITION

D2.3 THE SIKH TRADITION

D2.4 THE SANT MAT TRADITION

NAME-1: DIVINE LIGHT MISSION - ELAN VITAL
NAME-2: MISION DE LA LUZ DIVINA - ELAN VITAL
TRADITION: SANT MAT
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: DLM CLASSIFICATION: D2.402
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: +58 (0-212) 515-2140; 731-2765 FAX:
E-MAIL: centroinfo@selfcontacto.org.ve
INTERNET: <http://www.fundacionelanvital.es/>
FOUNDING DATE / FOUNDER: Prem Rawat - <http://www.tprf.org/>
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: DIVINE LIGHT MISSION - ELAN VITAL
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: INDIA

NAME-1: PATH OF LIGHT AND SOUND - SANT THAKAR SINGH - SURAT SHADD YOGA
NAME-2: SENDERO LUZ Y SONIDO - SANT THAKAR SINGH - SURAT SHABD YOGA
TRADITION: SANT MAT
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SLS CLASSIFICATION: D2.404
PRESIDENT-CEO: Suyén Chigó Olivares CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Santiago y Región Norte, Venezuela
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: 562-246-0892 FAX:
E-MAIL: suyen.chigo@santmat.org INTERNET: www.sant-thakar-singh.net
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: PATH OF LIGHT AND SOUND - SANT THAKAR SINGH - SURAT SHADD YOGA
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: GERMANY

NAME-1: MOVEMENT OF SPIRITUAL INNER AWARENESS
NAME-2: MOVIMIENTO ESPIRITUAL DE CONCIENCIA INTERIOR
TRADITION: SANT MAT
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MSIA CLASSIFICATION: D2.406
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CARACAS, VENEZUELA
DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL: alma@msia.org INTERNET: <http://www.msia.org/>
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: MOVEMENT OF SPIRITUAL INNER AWARENESS
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

**D3.0 MIDDLE EASTERN RELIGIOUS GROUPS, SECTION I:
THE JEWISH TRADITION**

NAME-1: ISRAELITE UNION OF CARACAS

NAME-2: UNION ISRAELITA DE CARACAS

TRADITION: JUDAISM-ORTHODOX (ASHKENAZI)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: OJUD **CLASSIFICATION:** D3.01

PRESIDENT-CEO: EFRAIM LAPSCHER **CEO-TITLE:** PRESIDENT

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: AVENIDA MARQUES DEL TORO CON AVENIDA WASHINGTON #9, SAN BERNARDINO, CARACAS 1010, VENEZUELA

DISTRICT: SAN BERNARDINO **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** 1010 **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: 552-8222 **FAX:** **E-MAIL:** presidencia@uic.org.ve

INTERNET: www.uic.org.ve

FOUNDING DATE: 1950

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: CONGREGATION OR SHALOM

NAME-2: CONGREGACION OR SHALOM

TRADITION: JUDAISM-CONSERVATIVE

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CJUD **CLASSIFICATION:** D3.04

PRESIDENT-CEO: Dr. Harry Czechowicz **CEO-TITLE:** PRESIDENT

RABBI: Lior Graizman (Iamin Noraim)

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: 9a Transversal entre 7a Av. y Av. Luis Roche, Caracas 1060, Venezuela

DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** 1060 **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58-2) 261-4083, 283-1878 **FAX:**

E-MAIL: Cos_caracas@yahoo.com

INTERNET: <http://www.uscj.org/world/caracas/>

FOUNDING DATE: 1990

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: WORLD COUNCIL OF MASORTE-CONSERVATIVE SYNAGOGUES

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: <http://www.masorteworld.org/>

ALTERNATIVE ADDRESS: 5ª Av. con 6ª Transversal de Los Palos Grandes, Caracas 1050, Venezuela

NAME-1: ISRAELITE ASSOCIATION OF VENEZUELA

NAME-2: ASOCIACION ISRAELITA DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: JUDAISM-SEPHARDIC

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SJUD **CLASSIFICATION:** D3.05

PRESIDENT-CEO: ISAAC COHEN **CEO-TITLE:** RABINO PRINCIPAL

MAILING ADDRESS: 3861 ZONA 1010-A **ZIPCODE:** 1050 **CITY:** CARACAS **STATE:** DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: 574-8297, 574-4975 **FAX:** 577-0249 **E-MAIL:** aiv@aiv.org

INTERNET: www.aiv.org

FOUNDING DATE: 1930

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NOTE: JEWISH HISTORY IN VENEZUELA - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_the_Jews_in_Venezuela

NAME-1: BET EL SHADAI CONGREGATION

NAME-2: CONGREGACION BET EL SHADAI

TRADITION: JUDAISM-MESSIANIC JEWS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CBES CLASSIFICATION: D3.10

PRESIDENT-CEO: RUAJ HAKODESH CEO-TITLE: LEADER

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Quinta Fragen, Calle San Rafael, Urbanización San Rafael, La Florida, Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: La Florida CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL: betelshadai@cantv.net

INTERNET: <http://www.betelshadai.org>

FOUNDING DATE: 1994

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CONGREGACION BET EL SHADAI

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

D4.0 MIDDLE EASTERN RELIGIOUS GROUPS, SECTION II

D4.01 THE ZOROASTRIAN FAMILY

D4.02 THE ISLAMIC FAMILY

NAME-1: SHEIKH IBRAHIM MOSQUE

NAME-2: MEZQUITA SHEIKH IBRAHIM BIN ABDUL AZIZ AL-IBRAHIM

TRADITION: ISLAM

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ISLAM CLASSIFICATION: D4.0201

PRESIDENT-CEO: ING. MAAMOUN MOALEM CEO-TITLE: DIRECTOR

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 52106 ZIPCODE: SABANA GRANDE 1050 CITY: CARACAS STATE: DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Calle Real de Quebrada Honda, Los Caobos, Caracas

DISTRICT: LOS CAOBS CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF

TELEPHONES: 58-2-577-4622 FAX: 58-2-577-5932

E-MAIL: info@mezquitaibrahim.org

INTERNET:

FOUNDING DATE:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

HISTORY: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Islam_in_Venezuela <http://www.answers.com/topic/islam-in-venezuela>

NAME-1: THE VENEZUELAN ISLAMIC COMMUNITY

NAME-2: LA COMUNIDAD ISLAMICA VENEZOLANA

TRADITION: ISLAM

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ISLAM CLASSIFICATION: D4.0201

PRESIDENT-CEO: KASEM TAIJAN CEO-TITLE: PRESIDENT

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 306, PORLAMAR ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE: ISLA MARGARITA

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: 2 AV. ANTIGUO AEROPUERTO, SECTOR GENOVES-PORLAMAR, ISLA MARGARITA

DISTRICT: SECTOR GENOVES CITY: PORLAMAR ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: ISLA MARGARITA

TELEPHONES: 589-5-62-3153 FAX: 589-5-63-1925

E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY:

NAME-1: SUBUD OF VENEZUELA

NAME-2: SUBUD DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: ISLAM

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SUBUD CLASSIFICATION: D4.0206

PRESIDENT-CEO: Marcos Royards CEO-TITLE: Chairman

MAILING ADDRESS: 68038 ZIPCODE: 1062-A CITY: CARACAS STATE: DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: 2-239-3723 FAX: 33-21243 / 21823

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://www.subud.org>

FOUNDING DATE:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SUBUD (FOLLOWERS OF MUHAMMED SUBUD)

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: INDONESIA

D4.2 THE BAHAI FAMILY

NAME-1: BAHAI NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY

NAME-2: BAHAI'S ASAMBLEA ESPIRITUAL NACIONAL

TRADITION: BAHAI

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: BAHAI-2 CLASSIFICATION: D4.0302

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: 49133 ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Avenida Tuy #32-12, Colinas de Bello Monte, Caracas, Venezuela

DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF

TELEPHONES: 2-751-7669 FAX: 2-751-7669

E-MAIL: aenbaven@telcel.net.ve

INTERNET: http://www.bci.org/venezuela/la_fe_bahai.shtml

FOUNDING DATE: 1953 (1939)

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: BAHAI FAITH, WORLD SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: HAIFA, ISRAEL

HISTORY: http://bahai-library.com/index.php5?file=historia_bahai_venezuela_venezuela

D5.0 ANIMISTIC TRADITIONS

D5.1 NATIVE AMERICAN ANIMISTIC GROUPS

NAME-1: ANIMISTIC NATIVE AMERICAN RELIGIONS

NAME-2: RELIGIONES ANIMISTAS INDIGENAS

TRADITION: ANIMIST-NATIVE AMERICAN RELIGIONS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ANIM CLASSIFICATION: D5.1

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://religiousmovements.lib.virginia.edu/nrms/naspirit.html>

FOUNDING DATE: BEFORE 1492 (PRE-COLUMBIAN ERA)

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ANIMISTIC NATIVE AMERICAN RELIGIONS

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: AMERICAS

NOTE: Not all Amerindians are Animists; some claim to be Roman Catholics, others Evangelicals or Bahai, etc.

D5.2 AFRO-AMERICAN ANIMISTIC GROUPS

NAME-1: **VENEZUELAN ASSOCIATION OF UMBANDA RELIGION**

NAME-2: **ASOCIACION VENEZOLANA DE LA RELIGION UMBANDA**

TRADITION: ANIMIST-AFROAMERICAN: UMBANDA RELIGION

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: UMBANDA CLASSIFICATION: D5.20103

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: AVENIDA MANUEL FILIPE TOVAR CON AVENIDA AGUSTIN CODAZZI, QUINTA LOLA, SAN BERNARDINO, CARACAS, VENEZUELA

DISTRICT: SAN BERNARDINO CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://umbandaven.tripod.com.ve/>

FOUNDING DATE: 1992

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: RELIGION UMBANDA

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: BRAZIL

NOTE: Not all Afro-Venezuelans are followers of Umbanda, Quimbanda, Santería, María Lionza or Obeah; some are Roman Catholics, others are Evangelicals or Bahai, etc.

NAME-1: **TEMPLE UMBANDA "ESPADA DO ACO"**

NAME-2: **Templo Umbandista "Espada Do Aço"**

TRADITION: ANIMIST-AFROAMERICAN: UMBANDA RELIGION

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: UMBANDA CLASSIFICATION: D5.20103

PRESIDENT-CEO: PAI MIGUEL CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CARACAS, VENEZUELA

DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF

TELEPHONES: (0212) 360-2811 FAX:

E-MAIL: miumbanda@hotmail.com

INTERNET: <http://www.umbanda.com.ve/>

FOUNDING DATE: 1992

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: UMBANDA RELIGION

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: BRAZIL

NAME-1: **QUIMBANDA**

NAME-2: **QUIMBANDA**

TRADITION: ANIMIST-AFROAMERICAN: QUIMBANDA

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: QUIM CLASSIFICATION: D5.20104

PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:

MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:

TELEPHONES: FAX:

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: http://www.simon-bolivar.org/bolivar/procedencia_de_los_esclavos_negros.html

FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: QUIMBANDA
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: BRAZIL, VENEZUELA AND OTHER CARIBBEAN-BASIN COUNTRIES

NAME-1: IFA HOUSE OF JOSE HIDALGO
NAME-2: CASA DE IFA DE JOSE HIDALGO
TRADITION: ANIMIST-AFROAMERICAN: REGLA DE OCHA (SANTERIA)
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SANT **CLASSIFICATION:** D5.20201
PRESIDENT-CEO: JOSE HIDALGO (Edibere) **CEO-TITLE:** BABALAWO - PRIEST
MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CARACAS, VENEZUELA
DISTRICT: **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF
TELEPHONES: **FAX:**
E-MAIL:
INTERNET: <http://www.edibere.com.ve/>
FOUNDING DATE: 1980s: see <http://www.edibere.com.ve/articulos/index.php?c=2>
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CASA DE IFA DE JOSE HIDALGO (EDIBERE)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

NAME-1: BOLIVAR ILE IFA ADELA TEMPLE
NAME-2: TEMPLO BOLIVAR ILE IFA ADELA
TRADITION: ANIMIST-AFROAMERICAN: REGLA LUCUMI (SANTERIA)
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SANT **CLASSIFICATION:** D5.20201
PRESIDENT-CEO: Ing. Edgardo Fernández - Awo Omo Oddun Ogbe Che **CEO-TITLE:** BABALAWO - PRIEST
MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Calle Carabobo, Casco Histórico, Casa Nº 56, Ciudad Bolívar, Edo. Bolívar - Venezuela
DISTRICT: CASCO HISTORICO **CITY:** CIUDAD BOLIVAR **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** BOLIVAR
TELEPHONES: (58-0414) 853-2164, 297-7317 **FAX:**
E-MAIL: ifaadeleedfer@hotmail.com
INTERNET: <http://www.bolivarifa.com>
FOUNDING DATE: 2000
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: REGLA LUCUMI (SANTERIA)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

NAME-1: IFA TOLA DEL ZULIA HOUSE
NAME-2: LA CASA IFA TOLA DEL ZULIA
TRADITION: ANIMIST-AFROAMERICAN: REGLA LUCUMI (SANTERIA)
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SANT **CLASSIFICATION:** D5.20201
PRESIDENT-CEO: Juan José Pérez **CEO-TITLE:** Babalawo Omo Odun - PRIEST
MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Maracaibo, Venezuela
DISTRICT: **CITY:** MARACAIBO **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** ZULIA
TELEPHONES: **FAX:**
E-MAIL: ifatolazulia@yahoo.com
INTERNET: <http://casaifatola.es.tripod.com/casaifatoladelzulia/index.html>
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: REGLA LUCUMI (SANTERIA)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

NAME-1: CULTURAL FOUNDATION ETHNIC YORUBA OF AMERICA
NAME-2: FUNDACION CULTURAL ETNIA YORUBA DE AMERICA

TRADITION: ANIMIST-AFROAMERICAN: REGLA LUCUMI (SANTERIA)
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SANT CLASSIFICATION: D5.20201
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: 4 DE MAYO, CASA KATIUSKA, ALTA VISTA, CARACAS, VENEZUELA
 DISTRICT: ALTA VISTA CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
 TELEPHONES: (0414) 249-2282 FAX: E-MAIL:
 INTERNET: <http://www.venezuelasite.com/portal/Detalles/11948.html>
 FOUNDING DATE:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: FUNDACION CULTURAL ETNIA YORUBA DE AMERICA
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

NAME-1: MARIA LIONZA CULT

NAME-2: CULTO A MARIA LIONZA

TRADITION: ANIMIST-AFROAMERICAN: MARIA LIONZA CULT
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CML CLASSIFICATION: D5.20206
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: NATIONWIDE BUT ESPECIALLY IN THE STATE OF YARACUY
 DISTRICT: CITY: CHIVACOA ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: YARACUY
 TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
 INTERNET: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/maria_lionza.htm
<http://www.wwrn.org/article.php?idd=23042&sec=39&cont=8>
<http://groups.msn.com/LASANTERIAENVENEZUELA/maralionza.msnw>
 FOUNDING DATE: 1500s
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: MARIA LEONZA CULT
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

NOTE: The modern Cult of Maria Lionza developed in Venezuela beginning in the 1920s and is based on Amerindian shamanism, African-American religions (Cuban Santeria), the Spiritist teachings of Allan Kardec (a popular 19th century French Spiritist who is well-known in South America), and an amalgam of other esoteric concepts. The cult is rooted in Venezuelan traditions and mythology and has nationalist and multi-ethnic characteristics.

NAME-1: MYALISM & OBEAH

NAME-2: MYALISMO Y OBEAH

TRADITION: ANIMIST-AFROAMERICAN: MYALISM & OBEAH
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MYAL CLASSIFICATION: D5.20301
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
 INTERNET: <http://www.lennoxhonychurch.com/africa-dominica.cfm>
 FOUNDING DATE:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: MYALISM & OBEAH
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: ENGLISH-SPEAKING CARIBBEAN BASIN

D5.3 LATIN AMERICAN NATIVISTIC MOVEMENTS

D5.301 CULT OF THE VIRGIN MARY

NAME-1: OUR LADY OF COROMOTO

NAME-2: NUESTRA SEÑORA DE COROMOTO

TRADITION: ANIMIST-LATIN AMERICAN NATIVISTIC MOVEMENTS
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CVMC CLASSIFICATION: D5.301
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: GUANARE ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: PORTUGUESA
 TELEPHONES: FAX:
 E-MAIL:
 INTERNET: <http://www.udayton.edu/mary/resources/engseven.html#ven>
 FOUNDING DATE: ca. 1651, among the Coromoto Indians
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: OUR LADY OF COROMOTO
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: THE PATRON SAINT OF VENEZUELA: <http://www.iglesia.org.ve/adv/ndec.htm>
http://www.corazones.org/doc/marialis_cultus.htm <http://www.marypages.com/LadyCoromoto.htm>

NAME-1: VIRGIN MARY MYSTICAL ROSE FOUNDATION

NAME-2: FUNDACION VIRGEN MARIA ROSA MISTICA

TRADITION: ANIMIST-LATIN AMERICAN NATIVISTIC MOVEMENTS
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: FVMRM CLASSIFICATION: D5.301
 PRESIDENT-CEO: Sra. Irene de Amundarain CEO-TITLE: Directora
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Avenida Páez, Edificio Bosque Pinar, PH-A, Urbanización El Paraíso, Caracas, Venezuela
 DISTRICT: Urbanización El Paraíso CITY: Caracas ZIPCODE: 1021 STATE / PROVINCE: DF
 TELEPHONES: (0212) 451-8463 FAX:
 E-MAIL: virgen@fundarosa.org.ve
 INTERNET: <http://www.fundarosa.org.ve/> <http://www.mariarosamystica.com/historia.html>
 FOUNDING DATE: 2000
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: FUNDACION VIRGEN MARIA ROSA MISTICA
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

D5.302 CULT OF THE CHRIST CHILD

NAME-1: CULT OF THE CHRIST CHILD IN CAPAYA, BARLOVENTO

NAME-2: CULTO DEL NIÑO JESUS EN CAPAYA, BARLOVENTO

TRADITION: ANIMIST-LATIN AMERICAN NATIVISTIC MOVEMENTS
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CNJCB CLASSIFICATION: D5.302
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CAPAYA CITY: BARLOVENTO ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: MIRANDA
 TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
 INTERNET:
http://www.saber.ula.ve/db/ssaber/Edocs/pubelectronicas/presenteypasado/ano10vol10_num20/articulo1.pdf
 FOUNDING DATE:
 NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
 TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
 TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CULTO AL NIÑO JESÚS EN CAPAYA
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

D5.4 OTHER ANIMISTIC RELIGIONS BY CONTINENT

D6.O THE ANCIENT WISDOM TRADITION

D6.01 TRADITIONAL MAGIC FAMILY

NAME-1: TRADITIONAL MAGIC-WITCHCRAFT (POPULAR CATHOLIC RELIGIOSITY)

NAME-2: MAGIA TRADICIONAL-BRUIERIA (RELIGIOSIDAD POPULAR CATOLICA)

TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM-TRADITIONAL MAGIC

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: RELPOP **CLASSIFICATION:** D6.01

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: **FAX:** **E-MAIL:**

INTERNET: <http://www.kruela.ciberanika.com/brujas.htm>

<http://www.rnv.gov.ve/noticias/index.php?act=ST&f=15&t=2633>

<http://groups.msn.com/LASANTERIAENVENEZUELA/nicanorochoa.msnw>

FOUNDING DATE: 1500s

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: TRADITIONAL MAGIC-WITCHCRAFT (POPULAR CATHOLIC RELIGIOSITY)

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: LATIN AMERICA

D6.02 RITUAL OR CEREMONIAL MAGIC FAMILY

NAME-1: TRADITIONAL MARTINISTA ORDER

NAME-2: ORDEN MARTINISTA TRADICIONAL

TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM-RITUAL MAGIC

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: OMT **CLASSIFICATION:** D6.0201

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 20532 **ZIPCODE:** 1020-A **CITY:** SAN MARTIN-CARACAS **STATE:** DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Heptada #1 de Caracas, Apartado Postal 20532, San Martín, Caracas 1020-A

DISTRICT: SAN MARTIN **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** 1020 **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: **FAX:**

E-MAIL: martinismo@iniciados.org jfperez333@hotmail.com

INTERNET: <http://www.iniciados.org/martinismo/om.htm#Inicio> http://www.ancientmartinistorder.org/Amo_info.htm

FOUNDING DATE:

FOUNDER: Maestro Nicolav Rogalev Girs (known as "Nabusar"), born in Russia in 1898; died in Chile in 1972.

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: TRADITIONAL MARTINISTA ORDER

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: CHILE

NOTE: HAS AFFILIATED GROUPS IN ARGENTINA, CHILE, VENEZUELA, PARAGUAY, PANAMA, PERU, MEXICO, CUBA, USA, CANADA, FRANCE, SPAIN, PORTUGAL

NAME-1: THE HERMETIC ORDER OF THE GOLDEN DAWN

NAME-2: LA ORDEN HERMETICA DE LA AURORA DORADA

TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM-RITUAL MAGIC

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: THOGD **CLASSIFICATION:** D6.0202

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: **FAX:** **E-MAIL:**

INTERNET: <http://www.hermeticgoldendawn.org/index.shtml>

FOUNDING DATE:

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME:
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: ENGLAND, FRANCE

D6.03 OCCULT ORDERS FAMILY

NAME-1: **GRAND LODGE OF THE BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA**
NAME-2: **GRAN LOGIA DE LA REPUBLICA BOLIVARIANA DE VENEZUELA**
TRADITION: OCCULT ORDERS: FREEMASONRY – SCOTTISH RITE
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: SRAFAM CLASSIFICATION: D6.0304
PRESIDENT-CEO: Israel Gómez Oronoz CEO-TITLE: Grand Master
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CARACAS, VENEZUELA
DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL: granmaestro@glrbv.org.ve
INTERNET: <http://www.glrbv.org.ve>
FOUNDING DATE: 1824 in Venezuela
TOTAL NUMBER OF AFFILIATES: 207 LODGES OFFICIALLY ESTABLISHED, BUT NOT ALL ARE STILL FUNCTIONING. SEE BELOW FOR INFORMATION ABOUT LODGE #1.
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SCOTTISH RITE OF ANCIENT, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: FRANCE, PRUSSIA, SCOTLAND, USA (WASHINGTON, DC)

PROTECTORA DE LAS VIRTUDES Nº 1

protectoradelasvirtudes@glrbv.org.ve

Apartado Postal 42

Calle San Juan Nº 12-23 (entre Bolívar y Juncal).

Barrio Cayaurima, Barcelona, Estado Anzoátegui 6001

Telefax 0281-775476

D6.04 ROSACRUZ FAMILY

NAME-1: **ANCIENT AND MYSTICAL ORDER OF THE ROSAECRUZ (AMORC)**
NAME-2: **ORDEN ANTIGUA Y MISTICA DE LOS ROSACRUCES**
TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM TRADITION - ROSICRUCIAN FAMILY
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: AMORC CLASSIFICATION: D6.0405
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CALLE SANTA ANA CON CALLE LECUNA, EDIFICIO CINDU- MEZZANINA, BOLEITA SUR, CARACAS
DISTRICT: BOLEITA SUR CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET: www.amorc.org
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ANCIENT AND MYSTICAL ORDER OF THE ROSAECRUZ (AMORC)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA

NAME-1: ANCIENT ROSICRUCIAN FRATERNITY
NAME-2: FRATERNITAS ROSICRUCIANA ANTIQUA
TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM TRADITION - ROSICRUCIAN FAMILY
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ARF **CLASSIFICATION:** D6.0406
PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**
MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: AULA MADRE "LUZ Y RAZON", AVENIDA 13A, ENTRE CEILIO ACOSTA Y URB. MARACIBO, NO. 66-72, MARACAIBO
DISTRICT: **CITY:** MARACAIBO **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** MARACIABO
TELEPHONES: (02-61) 792-9487 **FAX:**
E-MAIL: aulamadre@fravenezuela.com
INTERNET: <http://www.fravenezuela.com>
FOUNDING DATE: 1952, ANA DELIA GONZALEZ
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ANCIENT ROSICRUCIAN FRATERNITY
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: GERMANY
FOUNDER: DR. ARNOLD KRUMM-HELLER (1876-1949)

D6.05 NEO-PAGAN FAMILY – WICCA

NAME-1: WICCA-VENEZUELA
NAME-2: WICCA-VENEZUELA
TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM-NEO-PAGAN
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: WICCA **CLASSIFICATION:** D6.0599
PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**
MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Librería Nuevo Mundo, Boulevard de Sabana Grande #112, Frente a Quintas Leonor, Caracas, Venezuela
DISTRICT: SABANA GRANDE **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF
TELEPHONES: (0212) 763-0765, 762-5108 **FAX:** (0212) 763-0606
E-MAIL: Wiccaneros-Venezuela@yahoo.com
INTERNET: <http://www.wicca.vzla.org/>
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: WICCA-VENEZUELA
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

D6.06 SATANIST FAMILY

SEE LINKS: <http://www.ewtn.com/library/NEWAGE/SECSATCU.HTM>
<http://www.ewtn.com/library/NEWAGE/satan6.htm>

D6.07 OCCULT AND MAGIC SOCIETIES FOUNDED IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

NAME-1: GRAND UNIVERSAL FRATERNITY, ORDEN OF ACUARIUS
NAME-2: GRAN FRATERNIDAD UNIVERSAL, MISION DE LOS ACUARIUS
TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM-LATIN AMERICA
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: GFU **CLASSIFICATION:** D6.0701
PRESIDENT-CEO: Juan Víctor Mejías **CEO-TITLE:** Grand Master
MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 3987 **ZIPCODE:** 101 **CITY:** CARACAS **STATE:** DF
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Ashram GFU, El Limón, Maracay, Estado de Aragua, Venezuela

DISTRICT: EL LIMON CITY: MARACAY ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: ARAGUA
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL: consejosupremo@gfufundacionsrf.org
INTERNET: www.gfufundacionsrf.org
FOUNDING DATE: 1948
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: GRAN FRATERNIDAD UNIVERSAL, MISION DE LOS ACUARIUS
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

NAME-1: GFU NETWORK

NAME-2: RED GFU

TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM-LATIN AMERICA
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: RGFU CLASSIFICATION: D6.070101
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET:
FOUNDING DATE: 1971
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: GFU NETWORK
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: MEXICO

NAME-1: UNIVERSAL CHRISTIAN Gnostic CHURCH OF VENEZUELA

NAME-2: IGLESIA GNÓSTICA CRISTIANA UNIVERSAL DE VENEZUELA

TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM-LATIN AMERICA
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: IGCU CLASSIFICATION: D6.070202
PRESIDENT-CEO: CARLOS HECTOR TULA CEO-TITLE: MONSEÑOR OBISPO
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: AVENIDA FRANCISCO SOLANO Y CALLE LOS MANGOS, EDIFICIO EL MANGUITO
P.B., SABANA GRANDE, CARACAS, DF
DISTRICT: SABANA GRANDE CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
TELEPHONES: 212-763-4215 FAX:
E-MAIL: info@gnosis.org.ve
INTERNET: <http://www.gnosis.org.ve/>
<http://club.telepolis.com/agaigcu/juventudesgnosticas.htm> <http://club.telepolis.com/agaigcu/>
<http://club.telepolis.com/agaigcu/comunicado21.htm> <http://club.telepolis.com/agaigcu/pentalfa.htm>
FOUNDING DATE: 1948
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: UNIVERSAL CHRISTIAN Gnostic CHURCH
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: COLOMBIA-MEXICO
NOTE: Gnostic MASTER RODOLFO RINCON VASQUEZ WAS PART OF THIS MOVEMENT.

NAME-1: Gnostic ASSOCIATION OF ANTHROPOLOGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC STUDIES

NAME-2: ASOCIACION GNOSTICA DE ESTUDIOS ANTROPOLOGICOS Y CIENTIFICOS

TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM-LATIN AMERICA
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: AGEAC CLASSIFICATION: D6.070209
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: AVENIDA UNIVERSIDAD 190-187, EDIFICIO MARIA ROSA, APARTAMENTO 1,
NAGUANAGUA, VALENCIA

DISTRICT: CITY: NAGUANAGUA ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: VALENCIA
TELEPHONES: (58-414) 499-9310 FAX:
E-MAIL: venezuela@ageac.org
INTERNET: <http://ageac.org/English/mapa.html>
FOUNDING DATE: 1989 in Spain by Oscar Uzcátegui
NUMBER OF CHURCHES: NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: TOTAL ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: DATE OF STATISTICS:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ASOCIACION GNOSTICA DE ESTUDIOS ANTROPOLOGICOS Y CIENTIFICOS
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: SPAIN

NAME-1: NEW ACROPOLIS CULTURAL ASSOCIATION
NAME-2: ASOCIACION CULTURAL NUEVA ACROPOLIS

TRADITION: ANCIENT WISDOM-LATIN AMERICAN
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: ACNA CLASSIFICATION: D6.0703
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Avenida Los Pinos No. 44, Colonia Alta Florida, Caracas
DISTRICT: Colonia Alta Florida CITY: Caracas ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: 582-731-2087 FAX:
E-MAIL:
INTERNET: www.acropolis.org
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: ASOCIACION CULTURAL NUEVA ACROPOLIS
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: ARGENTINA

D7.O THE PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE TRADITION

D7.01 SPIRITUALIST FAMILY

NAME-1: SPIRITUAL MAGNETIC SCHOOL OF THE UNIVERSAL COMMUNE (JOAQUIN TRINCADO MATEO)
NAME-2: ESCUELA MAGNETICA ESPIRITUAL DE LA COMUNA UNIVERSAL (MAESTRO JOAQUIN TRINCADO MATEO)

TRADITION: PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE (SPIRITUALISM)
DENOMINATIONAL CODE: EMECU CLASSIFICATION: D7.01101
PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 6406 ZIPCODE: CITY: CARMELITAS STATE:
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: AVENIDA AVILA, QUINTA ROSITA U-51, ENTRE GAMBOA Y PANTEON, SAN BERNARDINO-CARACAS, VENEZUELA
DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
TELEPHONES: 02-551-8026 FAX:
E-MAIL: info@emecu.com
INTERNET: www.emecu.com
FOUNDING DATE:
INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SPIRITUAL MAGNETIC SCHOOL OF THE UNIVERSAL COMMUNE (JOAQUIN TRINCADO MATEO)
INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: ARGENTINA

NAME-1: CIMA SPIRITIST CULTURAL MOVEMENT
NAME-2: MOVIMIENTO DE CULTURA ESPIRITA CIMA

TRADITION: PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE (SPIRITUALISM)
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CEPA CLASSIFICATION: D7.0199
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Caracas, Venezuela
 DISTRICT: CITY: CARACAS ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: DF
 TELEPHONES: FAX:
 E-MAIL: nebai@telcel.net.ve
 INTERNET:
 FOUNDING DATE:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CONFERACION ESPIRITA PANAMERICANA
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: ARGENTINA

NAME-1: **GRAN CACIQUE MURACHI PORTAL SPIRITUAL CENTER**
 NAME-2: **CENTRO ESPIRITUAL PORTAL GRAN CACIQUE MURACHI**

TRADITION: SPIRITIST – SPIRITUALIST FAMILY
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: GCMPS CLASSIFICATION: D7.0199
 PRESIDENT-CEO: GRAN CACIQUE MURACHI CEO-TITLE: SPIRITUAL LEADER
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS: ZULIA, VENEZUELA
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE: ZULIA
 TELEPHONES: (061) 35-8148 FAX:
 E-MAIL:
 INTERNET:
 FOUNDING DATE:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: CENTRO ESPIRITUAL PORTAL GRAN CACIQUE MURACHI
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

D7.02 SWEDENBORG FAMILY

D7.03 THEOSOPHICAL FAMILY

NAME-1: **THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY**
 NAME-2: **SOCIEDAD TEOSOFICA**

TRADITION: PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE (THEOSOPHY)
 DENOMINATIONAL CODE: TTS CLASSIFICATION: D7.0302
 PRESIDENT-CEO: CEO-TITLE:
 MAILING ADDRESS: ZIPCODE: CITY: STATE:
 PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
 DISTRICT: CITY: ZIPCODE: STATE / PROVINCE:
 TELEPHONES: FAX: E-MAIL:
 INTERNET: <http://www.theosophical.ca/Adyardirectory.htm>
 FOUNDING DATE:
 INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY
 INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: CALIFORNIA, USA
 NOTE: VENEZUELA IS LISTED IN THE INTERNATIONAL TS DIRECTORY, BUT NO ADDRESS IS GIVEN.

D7.04 LIBERAL CATHOLIC CHURCH FAMILY

D7.05 ALICE BAILEY MOVEMENT FAMILY

D7.06 I AM MOVEMENT - ASCENDED MASTERS FAMILY

NAME-1 RAY SOL MOVEMENT (ST. GERMAIN GRAND FRATERNITY)

NAME-2: MOVIMIENTO RAY SOL (GRAN HERMANDAD SAINT GERMAIN)

TRADITION: I AM & ASCENDED MASTERS FAMILY

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MRAYSOL **CLASSIFICATION:** D7.0611

PRESIDENT-CEO: SRA. ARACELI EGEA **CEO-TITLE:** DIRECTORA

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: TIENDA RAY SOL, SALIDA METRO CAPITOLIO, NIVEL TERRAZAS, LOCAL PA-16

DISTRICT: METRO CAPITOLIO **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: 251-3791, 251-8826 **FAX:** 251-4617

E-MAIL: **INTERNET:** <http://www.raysol.org>

FOUNDING DATE-PLACE: 1945, CARACAS, VENEZUELA **FOUNDER:** CONNIE MENDEZ (1898-1979)

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: FUNDACION RAY SOL – MOVIMIENTO RAY SOL

NOTE: ALSO KNOWN AS THE CHRISTIAN METAPHYSICAL MOVEMENT

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: VENEZUELA

AFFILIATIONS: ASCENDED MASTER TEACHING FOUNDATION

NAME-1: NEW THOUGHT DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

NAME-2: FUNDACION DESARROLLO NUEVO PENSAMIENTO

TRADITION: "I AM" MOVEMENT – ASCENDED MASTERS

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: FDNP **CLASSIFICATION:** D7.0612

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 88052 **ZIPCODE:** 1080-A **CITY:** CARACAS **STATE:** DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: SALA B, PISO 3, ATENEO DE CARACAS (SUNDAYS ONLY)

DISTRICT: ATENEO **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58-212) 978-1753 **FAX:**

E-MAIL: fdnp@supercable.net.ve

INTERNET: <http://www.ngws.org/service/esoteric1.htm>

FOUNDING DATE: 1987, SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: FUNDACION DESARROLLO NUEVO PENSAMIENTO

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: PUERTO RICO

NOTE. Affiliated groups in Puerto Rico, Argentina, Cuba, USA (Miami), Mexico, Honduras and Ecuador.

D7.07 FLYING SAUCER-UFO FAMILY

NAME-1: RAEIAN MOVEMENT - RAEIAN RELIGION

NAME-2: MOVIMIENTO RAEIANO

TRADITION: PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE (UFO)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: RAEI **CLASSIFICATION:** D7.0716

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Segunda Sabana Urbanización El Rincón, Segunda Calle #71, Bocono, Edo. Trujillo

DISTRICT: **CITY:** Bocono **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** Trujillo

TELEPHONES: 58-72-521-621 **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: www.rael.org

FOUNDING DATE: 1973 in France by Claude Vorilhon (known as "Rael")

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: RAEIAN RELIGION

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: SWITZERLAND

D7.08 NEW AGE MOVEMENT FAMILY

NAME-1: INTERNATIONAL CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY

NAME-2: IGLESIA INTERNACIONAL DE CIENTOLOGIA

TRADITION: PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE (NEW AGE)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CIENT **CLASSIFICATION:** D7.0802

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Calle Casiquiare, entre Yumare y Atures, Punta Shangai, el Marques Norte

DISTRICT: EL MARQUES NORTE **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58-212) 414-1552 **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://www.scientology-caracas.org/> <http://www.scientology-venezuela.org/>

FOUNDING DATE:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: INTERNATIONAL CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: CALIFORNIA, USA

NAME-1: UNIVERSAL LIFE, THE INNER RELIGION

NAME-2: VIDA UNIVERSAL, LA RELIGION INTERIOR

TRADITION: PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE (NEW AGE)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: VU **CLASSIFICATION:** D7.0811

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: APARTADO 50546 **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** SABANA GRANDE-CARACAS **STATE:** DF

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: Sabana Grande, Caracas

DISTRICT: SABANA GRANDE **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://www.universal-life.cc/english/>

FOUNDING DATE:

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: UNIVERSAL LIFE, THE INNER RELIGION

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: GERMANY

NAME-1: THE UNIFICATION CHURCH – REV. MOON

NAME-2: LA IGLESIA UNIFICACION – REV. MOON

OTHER NAMES: VENEZUELAN FEDERATION OF FAMILIES FOR WORLD PEACE

TRADITION: PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE (NEW AGE)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MOON **CLASSIFICATION:** D9.0802

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: **FAX:**

E-MAIL:

INTERNET: <http://www.unification.org> <http://www.fedefamilias.org/>

FOUNDING DATE: 1954 INTERNATIONALLY IN SEUL, KOREA

NUMBER OF CHURCHES: **NUMBER OF MISSIONS:**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES AND MISSIONS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: **TOTAL ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHURCH COMMUNITY: **DATE OF STATISTICS:**

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: THE HOLY SPIRIT ASSOCIATION FOR THE UNIFICATION OF WORLD

CHRISTIANITY – UNIFICATION CHURCH; ALSO KNOWN AS THE FAMILY FOUNDATION FOR WORLD PEACE

AND UNIFICATION (FFWPU) - <http://www.ffwpui.org/>

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: NEW YORK-USA

NOTE: In Nov 1997, the government of Venezuela banned the activities of the Unification Church after a long-festering controversy, claiming that the church's followers held invalid visas that made their presence illegal. See:

D7.09 POST-NEW AGE MOVEMENT FAMILY

NAME-1: INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF ASCENSION

NAME-2: SOCIEDAD INTERNACIONAL DE ASCENCION - CENTRO ISHAYA VENEZUELA

TRADITION: PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE (POST-NEW AGE)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MSI-ISA **CLASSIFICATION:** D7.0901

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CALLE LOS LABORATORIOS, CENTRO INDUSTRIAL INTENSO, PISO 4 (EL ARTE DEL SER), LOS RUICES, CARACAS, VENEZUELA

DISTRICT: LOS RUICES **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:** DF

TELEPHONES: (58) (0212) 286-7071 **FAX:**

E-MAIL: venezuela@ishaya.org

INTERNET: www.ishana.org

FOUNDING DATE: 1990

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF ASCENSION

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: CANADA

NAME-1: ISHAYA TECHNIQUES

NAME-2: TECNICAS ISHAYAS

TRADITION: PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE (POST-NEW AGE)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: MSI-TI **CLASSIFICATION:** D7.0902

PRESIDENT-CEO: **CEO-TITLE:**

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CARACAS, VENEZUELA

DISTRICT: **CITY:** CARACAS **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: **FAX:**

E-MAIL: elartedelser@cantv.net

INTERNET: www.losishayas.com

FOUNDING DATE: 1990

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: TECNICAS ISHAYAS

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: COLOMBIA

D7.10 OTHER PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE GROUPS

NAME-1: SILVA MIND CONTROL - SILVA METHOD

NAME-2: CONTROL MENTAL SILVA – METODO SILVA

TRADITION: PSYCHIC-SPIRITUALIST-NEW AGE (OTHER: LATIN AMERICA)

DENOMINATIONAL CODE: CMSIL **CLASSIFICATION:** D7.112

PRESIDENT-CEO: Omar Jaled Mustafa **CEO-TITLE:** Certified Instructor

MAILING ADDRESS: **ZIPCODE:** **CITY:** **STATE:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: CARACAS, VENEZUELA

DISTRICT: **CITY:** **ZIPCODE:** **STATE / PROVINCE:**

TELEPHONES: 55-11-5084-9956 **FAX:**

E-MAIL: direccion-diretoria@metodosilva-sudamerica.com

INTERNET: http://www.silvamethod.com/sub/subpages/csmi/csmi_listwld.aspx?grp=VENEZUELA

FOUNDING DATE: 1966

INTERNATIONAL HQ NAME: SILVA MIND CONTROL - SILVA METHOD

INTERNATIONAL HQ COUNTRY: USA (FOUNDER: JOSE SILVA)

D8.0 OTHER NON-CHRISTIAN GROUPS-UNCLASSIFIED

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