

SCC HISPANIC REGION REPORT
2011-2014
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My responsibility as a Hispanic Region Director began in the middle of July, 2011.

VISION AND PURPOSE OF THE HISPANIC REGION

OUR CHALLENGE

- The population of the five counties of greater Los Angeles is more than 20 million.
- The county of L.A. has the highest number of Hispanics in the U. S., 4.7 Million.
- Only in the City of L.A. we have more than 2 millions Hispanics.

OUR MISSION

"Therefore go and make disciples..." Mathew 28:19.

Twofold Evangelism: 1) Preach the gospel to the unsaved. 2) Retain those who have been saved.

OUR GOAL AND VISION:

- To motivate, inspire, instruct and unite lay people and pastors to accomplish the mission of SCC.

RESOURCES AND ACOMPLISHMENTS

RESOURCES:

- 31 FTE's (pastors) and 3 stipends.
- 56 Congregations *
- 2014 membership: 12,436
- Tithe gain from 2011-2014: 5.90 %

* There are **56 Hispanic congregations**, including KALEO, (formerly Resurrection church), which has been established to reach 2nd and third generation Adventists. This church began its ministry in October of 2011. Services are fully in English. Pr. Manuel Arteaga is the pastor.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Two metropolitan evangelistic efforts were held each year during the 2011-2014 quadrennium. (At least 40 churches were involved simultaneously)
- Two newly organized companies: Shalom Company (2011) Ebenezer Company (2012)
- Five new church buildings were purchased: 1) Ebenezer church. 2) Pomona Valley church. 3) Long Beach Freeman church. 4) Canoga Park church. 5) Highland Park church.
- More than 400 lay people received training to be disciples of Christ and Bible workers.
- This year 75 students will graduate from the Institute for Laity from Andrews University. They successfully finished eight courses on how to be a Bible Worker.
- Approximately 50% of the 56 Hispanic congregations had youth evangelism throughout the four years.

- Hispanic women's ministries have their women's retreat every year. The average attendance is approximately 450 per retreat.
- Every year Hispanic Youth Ministry (HYM) is deeply involved in youth discipleship and evangelism. In their yearly Youth Camp at Cedar Falls, an average of 20 young people give their lives to Christ through baptism.
- Every year the Hispanic Prayer Ministry have their retreat, which an average of 200 members attend.
- The Health and Temperance Ministry have their annual retreat in which, an average of 150 members attend.
- Total baptisms & professions of faith in four years: 2,707.