

meet  
**NEDELKA CANO  
GUTIERREZ**



**PANAMA**



her story

Nedelka was raised by separated parents. She grew up with her father and six brothers. In 1991, when Nedelka was 11, her older brother shared the Gospel with her and she received Christ.

Nedelka married her husband, Luis, in 1997. In 2003, God led them to the Word of Life Institute in Argentina, where they studied for three years, getting grounded in Scripture, training for ministry, growing in their faith, and enriching their marriage.

Nedelka and Luis started working with Word of Life Panama in December 2006 and served together faithfully until 2020, when Luis was diagnosed with cancer. He fought valiantly until the Lord called him home in March 2023. He is, and will always be, dearly missed. Even with the absence of Luis, Nedelka continues to serve with Word of Life Panama.

In 2013, Luis and Nedelka took in two girls, Marcia and Janeth, from ANA Panama's transition home. The arrangement was originally temporary, but the following year Luis and Nedelka committed to providing a permanent home for the girls.

Marcia graduated from university in January 2024. Janeth made Nedelka a grandma in July 2023 with the birth of a baby boy, Alberto, named in memory of Luis.

The primary focus of WOL is youth evangelism and discipleship. WOL accomplishes this through their summer camp program (January-March), and various other camps throughout the year, such as sports, college & career, marriage & family, women and leadership retreats. They also share the gospel in public schools, jails, hospitals, orphanages and Indian villages through puppet shows, musicals, and dramas. Their main avenue for discipleship is through youth Bible Clubs.

The Bible Chapel has partnered with the Nedelka since 2016

**FEBRUARY 2024**

**PRAISE**

- ❖ I thank God for Marcia and Janeth.
- ❖ His grace, love and mercy for me. God treats me with cords of love.
- ❖ God provided to cancel the expense I had to repair the car.
- ❖ Family members and young people from the new church where I am attending were able to attend the Word of Life camps.
- ❖ Luis' cousin passed into the presence of God. I am grateful to see every detail that God allowed me to experience with her. I led her to Christ and was able to comfort my niece. Also, I was able to accompany her in all the steps for her funeral.
- ❖ Marcia finished her internship. She finished on an excellent note. That brings honor to my heart.
- ❖ We thank you for being part of our lives and ministry and now in this new stage that I have to follow.

**PRAYER**

- Fidelity and Holiness to the Lord.
- Strength for me (Nedelka), Marcia and Janeth and Luis' entire family. 11 months have passed since his temporary absence.
- My classes at the university begin on February 24.
- Continue raising my level of support. I am at 71%
- Being able to replace my car.
- I want to move from the apartment to a house in the same area where I live. I have two months to look for a cheaper place.
- Marcia can get a job.
- Janeth can make the decision to continue studying. Wisdom to care for her baby and that she and her partner get married.
- Provision so that our disciples Christopher Rodriguez and Abel Herrera can raise the necessary support to enter the Argentine Word of Life Bible Institute in 2024.
- Camp Season 2024. Programming, counselors, preachers and budget.
- **Next Meeting Thursday, March 21, 2024 @ 6:00PM EST (\*\*This is a Spanish speaking group)**