





MEET

Nedelka Cano Gutierrez

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. Janath made Nedelka a grandma in July 2023 with the birth of a baby boy, Alberto, maned 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.

January 2025

PRAISE

- On January 4th I had a birthday. I am grateful to complete another year.
- Visit to the church of Santiago. I was recognized for the Service that Luis, (my husband) and I did with that church. I was inviting them to camp and keeping them in mind. It was something very emotional for me.
 - I completed my first year of university and I am about to start my second.
- At the end of the school year, I was able to share the gospel with 8 university classmates.

PRAYER

- We are beginning the camp season. It goes from January 9th to March 6th. Pray for care, salvation and consecration.
- Increase my support, I am at 71%.
- Groups that will be visiting us throughout the season.
- Employment for Marcia.
- Employment for Janeth. She is interested in studying. And for Alberto, her son, so that she can find a good place where they can take care of him while she works.
- Support for Abel Herrera, who is studying at our training school in Panama and wants to enter the Institute in Argentina in 2025. Cristhopher Rodriguez, who is studying at the Word of Life Institute in Argentina and is soon finishing his first year.