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DIRECTOR, *Language Church Development Department*

Serving the Convention from 1997 until 2004; and since 2007

Primary Responsibility:

To assist churches and associations in planning and administering a comprehensive program of church development for language churches relating to the Florida Baptist Convention.

Birth: Havana, Cuba

Spouse: Ninfa

Education: Florida International University, Miami, Florida
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, A.A., 1995

Previous Experience:

Founding Pastor, Iglesia Bautista Nuevo Comienzo, Miami, Florida, 2004-2007
Field Missionary, Language Church Planting Department, Florida Baptist Convention, 1997-2004
Multi-ethnic church starting contract worker, Florida Baptist Convention, 1996-1997
Missions Committee Consultant, Miami Baptist Association, Miami, Florida, 1996-1997
Pastor, Mision Bautista Nueva Esperanza, Miami, Florida, 1993 to 1997
Administrative Coordinator, Dade Residential Developers, Miami, Florida, 1984-1995
Youth Minister/Deacon, Iglesia Bautista West Hialeah, Hialeah, Florida, 1986-1993

Language Fluency:

English and Spanish

Denominational Activities:

Member, State Board of Missions, Florida Baptist State Convention, 2006-2007
Urban Ministry Church Planting Consultant, Miami Baptist Association, Miami, Florida, 2006
Member, Administrative Committee, Miami Baptist Association, Miami, Florida, 2005-2007
New Work Committee Consultant, "For You Miami," Miami Baptist Association, Miami, Florida, 2004-2005

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Denominational Activities *(continued)*:

Missions Committee Consultant, Miami Baptist
Association, Miami, Florida, 1996-1997

Volunteer chaplain, Baptist Hospital Health Systems,
Miami, Florida, 1996-1997

Volunteer chaplain, T.G.K. Correctional Center, Miami,
Florida, 1989-1993

Church Membership:

Mision Bautista Nueva Esperanza, Miami, Florida