

# eUpdate

Northwest Indiana District Church of the Nazarene  
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“Creating a climate for dynamic holiness ministry through the Church of the Nazarene in Northwest Indiana”

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**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE  
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*WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH THE CHURCH GOD HAS GIVEN YOU?*

**Looking forward to seeing you at our next  
Pastor's Prayer Gathering Thursday, December 13  
Winamac, 9:00 a.m. to Noon**

## Spanish Ministries Retreat Held Recently

November 18 and 19, our Spanish pastors and spouses gathered for the first Spanish Ministries Retreat led by Dr. Alberto Guang, District Spanish Ministries Coordinator. This was the first time all our Spanish pastors and their spouses have been together at the same time. It was a great time of getting better acquainted, encouragement, reporting on ministry progress and planning for the future. Please put all of these pastors and spouses on your prayer list!!



**Front Row (left-right):  
Alberto and Lilliam Guang,  
Lucy and Hernan Osorio,  
Lee Woolery**

**Second Row (left-right)  
Claudio and Fabiana  
Morano, (Annette  
Elizabeth), Ruth Pleitez**

**Top Row: Hersayn and  
Rosy Estrada (Amaily and  
and Esteban), Salvador  
Pleitez**

- **Alberto and Lilliam Guang: East Chicago Spanish**  
Alberto serves as Spanish Ministries Director for the N.W. Indiana District
- **Lucy and Hernan Osorio: Michiana Spanish serving Mishawaka and South Bend.** Sponsored by Pastor Dave Bartley and the South Bend First Congregation.
- **Claudio and Fabiana Morano: Portage Spanish, meeting at Real Life Community.** Sponsored by Pastor Duane Schmidt and the Real Life Congregation. (Annette Elizabeth pictured)
- **Salvador and Ruth Pleitez: Part of the original Noblesville Spanish Congregation.** Salvador is now beginning to lead the Spanish group meeting at Covington Nazarene, sponsored by Pastor Tom Hunter and the Covington Congregation.
- **Hersayn and Rosy Estrada (Amaily and Esteban): Pastoring Noblesville Spanish, meeting at Noble Naz with the support of Pastor Jeff Case**  
And the Noblesville congregation.

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### **Future Trends in Spanish Population in the U.S.** **Dr. Alberto Guang**

In discerning God's vision for our mission, I believe it's important to recognize two new megatrends among the Spanish community in America which are of vital importance in developing our strategies to fulfill our mission to Spanish speaking peoples:

1. Even though the immigration flow will slow down as a result of the new border control, the Spanish community will continue to grow. First, as a result of the new generation being born in America. Second, as a result of a new immigration flow proceeding from third countries. For example: From England and Germany, Spanish families are gaining legal status there but their final destination is America.
2. Another important megatrend is that the percentage of Hispanics who are willing to keep their culture along with the American culture has increased in the last 30 years from 56% to 81%. The Spanish language is now the second most spoken language in America.

The Spanish community in America will continue to be a huge mission field just across the street in any of our communities and cities. There will be a need for a large number of new Spanish speaking churches across the U.S.

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**Pastor: If you are aware of a growing Spanish population in your city/area, please contact Alberto Guang. We are looking for pastors and congregations who would be willing to sponsor/support the beginning of Spanish congregations wherever we have the opportunity in N. W. Indiana.**

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