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## Mesoamerica Region



## Panama

The Church of the Nazarene began work in Panama in 1953. Panama is a country on the strip of land that links Central and South America. It is known for the Panama Canal (an essential shipping route), its diversity in animals and plants, as well as its lively music and culture. It has a population of approximately 4.4 million people, and the official language is Spanish.



3,421 Members



56 Fully Organized

Fully Organized  
churches across 2  
districts



28 District Licensed and 31

Ordained Ministers

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## PRAYER



- Pray for church planting initiatives in the central provinces and indigenous communities.
  - Pray that God will provide the resources for a district project that was started in Tocumen.
  - Pray for the continual development of children and youth ministries.
  - Pray that young people will continue to answer God's call to missions
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## PRAISE



- We praise God that some churches have had the opportunity to support immigrants.
- We praise God for the continual growth of membership in churches.
- We praise God for his faithfulness in providing care and wisdom to pastors and leaders during the time of the pandemic.
- We thank God in advance for all the wonderful works that He will do in Panama.



## Mesoamerica Celebrates its MAX22 Regional Conference



More than 1,000 people from 21 countries gathered in Panama City, Panama, for MAX 22, the Mesoamerica regional conference.

The attendees traveled far to worship together as well as learn and receive training on three topics: children, youth, and urban centers.

“The presence of God was truly felt at all times, and the experience was tremendous,” said Anyilein Bernal, a MAX attendee. “Now, (it’s time) to put everything we learned into practice.”

During the three days, Nazarenes from across the region were able to join together in unity, creating many memories and lasting relationships.

“MAX22 represents a before and after for the Church of the Nazarene in Mesoamerica,” said Markus Hamilton, a member of the event's praise team. “I have many pleasant moments and, above all, that joy that koinonia (fellowship) produces with my brothers.”

The conference was the third held in Mesoamerica and the first in Panama after the previous editions were held in Guatemala in 2011 and 2015.

MAX was originally scheduled to take place in 2020 but had to be postponed for two years due the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It was wonderful to meet so many Nazarenes and celebrate together after the pandemic," said Rosa de Sáenz, general organizer of the event. "It is a miracle and a dream for me."

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