



Avel Rivera

FUENTE DE ESPERANZA

About the Family

My wife, Cyndia, and I have been married for 34 years. We have two wonderful children: Jasmine and Daniel. I was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois. I was a member of a Hispanic church where my father was a pastor. My wife was born and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where she was also a member of a Hispanic church.

In 1989, my wife and I moved to Central Florida (where we met) and married. In 2003, we made the City of Clermont/Minneola our home.

About My Church Plant

We have been members of The Grove Church in Clermont since 2017, where I've served as an elder in preaching, teaching, discipleship and leadership. In July 2023, Cyndia and I moved to Miami, Florida, to join the pastoral residency program from the North American Mission Board through Send Network Español. We returned to Clermont in June 2024, and I began the Finishing Residency with Orlando Church Planting Network.

We have a core team of 16 people who are excited about what God is doing in the Clermont community. We plan to launch Fuente de Esperanza—a Hispanic, bilingual church—in September 2025. Our mission is to “Reach the lost and cultivate disciples through the power of the Gospel.”

Find out how you can

Pray.

Participate.

Provide.

PRAY.

Pray the church will be established and will faithfully work to plant in other communities.

Pray we would trust God for guidance and provision.

Pray God would lead committed individuals and families to join our launch team.

Pray for boldness to share the gospel and open hearts among the people to whom we speak.

Pray that through this ministry, more people would come to saving faith.

Pray for tender hearts in our community and strong relationships.

PARTICIPATE

You can get involved by praying for us and partnering with us financially. We are looking for a place to gather for worship in the Clermont area. We are also raising funds for the church plant's needs. Your gift of any amount will help us lay a strong foundation for Fuente de Esperanza and the Clermont community.

PROVIDE

Learn the ministry strategy and context, so you can provide relevant resources. Support a missionary financially.