

A CHRONOLOGY OF PROTESTANT BEGINNINGS: ARGENTINA

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Independence from Spain declared:	1816
Republic of Argentina founded:	1853
Religious Tolerance established:	1853
Number of North American (USA & Canada) agencies in 1997:	66
Indicates non-North America Church or Missionary Society *	

Significant Evangelical Beginnings:

- 1806 - *British and Foreign Bible Society colporteur, D. Greighton
- 1818 - *British and Foreign Bible Society colporteur, J. Thomson
- 1820 - *Anglican Chapel services
- 1822 - *Mission to Patagonia, Allen Gardiner (independent Anglican mission among the Indians)
- 1823 - Presbyterian Church in the USA, Board of Foreign Missions
- 1824 - *Presbyterian Church of Scotland immigrant mission work
- 1825 - *Anglican Church (Anglican Cathedral of St. John The Baptist)
- 1829 - *St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (Scottish Presbyterian)
- 1836 - Methodist Episcopal Church Board of Missions
- 1843 - *Arrival of immigrant churches from: England, Wales, Scotland, France, Italy, Holland, Russia, Sweden, Denmark, Armenia, South Africa, etc.
- 1843 - *Bremen Society for German Protestants in South America (Lutheran)
- 1843 - *German Lutherans (Evangelical Church of the River Plate: Russian-German & Swiss immigrants)
- 1843 - *German Lutheran Church in Buenos Aires
- 1845 - American Mission Society (to the Patagonian Indians), Alan Gardiner
- 1859 - *Waldensian Church (French-Italian immigrants who settled in Uruguay in 1856)
- 1864 - American Bible Society (Andrew Milne)
- 1864 - Welsh Protestants in Chubut Valley (now part of the Reformed Church)
- 1882 - *Christian Missions in Many Lands (English Plymouth Brethren)
- 1882 - *Danish Lutheran Church
- 1887 - *Regions Beyond Missionary Union
- 1889 - *The Salvation Army
- 1890s - *Reformed Churches in Argentina (Dutch immigrants)
- 1894 - Seventh-Day Adventist Church (first country entered)
- 1895 - Christian and Missionary Alliance
- 1898 - *South American Missionary Society
- 1900 - *San Pedro Mission to the Indians (independent originally; affiliated with the Conservative Baptists in 1947)
- 1901 - YMCA, International Commission
- 1903 - Southern Baptist Convention, Foreign Mission Board
- 1904 - Christian Woman's Board of Missions (Christian Church-Disciples of Christ)
- 1905 - Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod
- 1906 - United Christian Missionary Society
- 1907 - Peniel Missionary Society
- 1908 - Evangelical Lutheran Church, General Synod
- 1909 - Independent Pentecostal Missionary, Miss Alice Wood (affiliated with the Assemblies of God in USA in 1914)
- 1909 - Grace Brethren Church, Foreign Mission Society (Winona Lake, IN)
- 1909 - Church of the Nazarene, World Mission Division

- 1915 - *Inland-South-American Missionary Union
- 1916 - Christian Assembly (Italian Pentecostal missionaries from USA)
- 1917 - Mennonite Board of Missions
- 1917 - Brethren Church Missionary Board (Ashland, OH)
- 1917 - Swedish Lutheran Church (Svenska Kyrkan)
- 1919 - *United Evangelical Lutheran Church (among Slovaks, Hungarians, Latvians and Estonians)
- 1921 - Canadian Assemblies of God Mission
- 1922 - Evangelical Congregational Church (German immigrants)
- 1923 - *Armenian Evangelical Church
- 1927 - Church of God (Anderson, IN)
- 1930 - Pentecostal Holiness Church
- 1938 - *Hungarian Christian Evangelical Reformed Church
- 1940 - Church of God World Missions (Cleveland, TN)
- 1940 - Slavic Gospel Association, Inc.
- 1941 - Chosen People Ministries
- 1943 - Assemblies of God Foreign Mission Dept. (first USA missionaries sent)
- 1944 - Child Evangelism Fellowship
- 1944 - Swiss Evangelical Church (Reformed)
- 1947 - Conservative Baptist Foreign Missionary Society (now CB International)
- 1948 - Evangelical Lutheran Church
- 1950 - Association of Baptists for World Evangelism of Canada
- 1955 - Gospel Missionary Union of Canada
- 1956 - Gospel Missionary Union of USA
- 1955 - Church of God of Prophecy
- 1956 - Christian & Missionary Alliance of Canada
- 1956 - Elim Fellowship World Missions
- 1957 - Baptist General Conference
- 1958 - Every Home For Christ
- 1958 - Christian and Missionary Movement (independent Pentecostal church; split from Assemblies of God)
- 1959 - Baptist Bible Fellowship International
- 1962 - United Evangelical Church (an independent church among the Toba Indians who were evangelized by the Mennonites)
- 1963 - Campus Crusade for Christ
- 1967 - United Pentecostal Church International
- 1968 - Argentine Federation of Evangelical Churches (FAIE)
- 1968 - Go Ye Fellowship
- 1969 - Che Il Korean Presbyterian Church
- 1970 - Gospel Mission of South America
- 1970 - Evangelical Pentecostal Confederation (CEP)
- 1970 - World Gospel Mission
- 1973 - The Navigators
- 1974 - Evangelical Baptist Missions
- 1975 - Impact International
- 1975 - Christian Church of North America
- 1977 - Baptist World Missions
- 1978 - Association of Baptists for World Evangelism (USA)
- 1979 - Biblical Ministries Worldwide
- 1982 - Alliance of Evangelical Churches of Argentina (ACIERA)
- 1982 - Taiwanese Presbyterian Church (Sin-Heng)
- 1983 - Baptist International Missions
- 1984 - Presbyterian Church of America, Mission to the World
- 1985 - Harvest Evangelism, Inc.
- 1985 - Korean Presbyterian Church of America
- 1986 - Evangelical Presbyterian Church (Antonio Andrés Gómez)

- 1986 - Team Expansion, Inc.
- 1987 - OC International, Inc. (formerly Overseas Crusades)
- 1987 - Baptist Mid-Missions
- 1988 - Walk Thru the Bible Ministries
- 1991 - Missionary Revival Crusade
- 1991 - Mui Presbyterian Church (Taiwanese)
- 1992 - Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada
- 1992 - Chinese Christian Mission
- 1995 - BCM International
- 1995 - Christ For The City International
- 1995 - International Outreach Missions

Date of Origin Unknown:

Armenian Brethren
 Armenian Congregational Church
 Congregational Christian Board
 Christian Reformed Church
 Cultural Christian Assembly
 Emmanuel Holiness Church
 English Pentecostals
 Evangelical Pentecostal Church of Chile
 Evangelical Baptist Convention
 German Evangelical Lutheran Church (Buenos Aires)
 International Church of the Foursquare Gospel
 Irish Baptist Church
 New Testament Missionary Church
 Norwegian Pentecostals (Norske Pinsevenners Ytremisjon)
 Norwegian Lutheran Church (Norske Kirk)
 Protestant Congregation in Tandil (Lutheran)
 Protestant Society in Southern Argentina-Lutheran Church
 Protestant Society of the Southeast-Lutheran Church
 Swedish Pentecostals (Svenske Fia Missionen)

NOTES:

- (1) Dates listed indicate the earliest recorded ministry or in case of discrepancies, the one most frequently indicated by the sources.
- (2) Liberty to begin Spanish language services was granted in 1867.
- (3) Arno W. Enns, *Man, Milieu and Mission in Argentina* (Eerdmans, 1971)
- (4) North American agencies include U.S. and Canadian (John Siewert and Edna Valdez, *Mission Handbook: MARC*, 1997).
- (5) Jean-Jacques Bauswein and Lukas Vischer, *The Reformed Family Worldwide* (Eerdmans, 1999)
- (6) Lutheran World Federation, *2000 Directory* (Geneva, Switzerland: 2000)