
A CHRONOLOGY OF PROTESTANT BEGINNINGS: BOLIVIA

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Historical Overview of Bolivia:

Independence from Spain:	1825
Peru-Bolivian Confederation:	1836-1839
Independent Republic established:	1839
Religious liberty established:	1906
Number of North American Agencies in 1989:	74
Number of North American Agencies in 1996:	61
Indicates European Society *	

Significant Protestant Beginnings:

- 1827 - *British and Foreign Bible Society - BFBS (first colporteur, Luke Matthews)
- 1846 - *Anglican Indian Mission (founded by Allen Gardiner)
- 1877 - *BFBS (colporteur Joseph Monguardino, first martyr)
- 1883 - American Bible Society - ABS (colporteurs Milne and Penzotti)
- 1890 - American Bible Society (resident colporteur and house church, J.B. Arancet)
- 1895 - *Christian Missions in Many Lands (Plymouth Brethren), William Payne (permanent work in 1911)
- 1898 - Canadian Baptist Convention, A.B. Reekie
- 1901 - Methodist Episcopal Church Board of Foreign Missions
- 1903 - Andes Evangelical Mission (originally known as the Bolivian Indian Mission, now part of SIM)
- 1906 - Peniel Missionary Society
- 1907 - Seventh-day Adventist General Conference
- 1915 - *San Pedro Mission to The Indians of South America

- 1920 - The Salvation Army
- 1920 - Swedish Pentecostal Mission
- 1920 - Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends Church (INELA)
- 1922 - South American Missionary Society (Anglican)
- 1922 - South American Indian Mission (note: in 1970 became SAM)
- 1925 - Central Yearly Meetings of Friends
- 1928 - International Church of the Foursquare Gospel (1931)
- 1931 - Evangelical Friends Mission
- 1932 - New Testament Missionary Union
- 1937 - Gospel Missionary Union (USA and Canada)
- 1937 - Evangelical Union of South America
- 1938 - World Mission Prayer League (Lutheran)
- 1942 - New Tribes Mission (note: first country entered)
- 1943 - World Gospel Mission
- 1943 - Child Evangelism Fellowship
- 1945 - Church of God (Holiness) Mission
- 1945 - Wycliffe Bible Translators
- 1945 - Church of the Nazarene, World Mission Division
- 1946 - Assemblies of God, Foreign Mission Department
- 1948 - United World Mission (Independent Church Movement)
- 1951 - Grace Ministries International
- 1957 - Heifer Project International
- 1959 - Mennonite Central Committee
- 1960 - Church of God World Missions (Cleveland, TN)
- 1961 - World-Wide Missions
- 1963 - Maranatha Baptist Mission

- 1965 - Baptist Missionary Association of America
- 1965 - Campus Crusade for Christ
- 1966 - National Association of Bolivian Evangelicals (ANDEB)
- 1969 - Baptist International Missions
- 1969 - Evangelical Mennonite Mission Conference (Canada)
- 1971 - Every Home For Christ
- 1974 - Church of God (Anderson, IN)
- 1974 - Church of God of Prophecy
- 1974 - United Pentecostal Church
- 1976 - Partners International
- 1976 - Servants in Faith & Technology
- 1977 - Evangelistic Faith Missions
- 1977 - Food for the Hungry
- 1978 - Baptist Bible Fellowship International
- 1978 - Evangelical Methodist Church
- 1978 - Mennonite Economic Development (Canada)
- 1979 - Southern Baptist International Mission
- 1984 - Habitat for Humanity International
- 1984 - Pioneers
- 1985 - Primitive Methodist Church in the USA
- 1986 - American Baptist Churches in the USA
- 1986 - MAP International
- 1987 - Apostolic Team Ministries International
- 1988 - World Concern
- 1989 - World Indigenous Missions
- 1990 - Latin America Mission

- 1991 - ISOH/Impact
- 1994 - Correll Missionary Ministries

Date of Origin Unknown:

- Brethren Assemblies (USA)
- Brethren Assemblies (Canada)
- Christian Aid Mission
- United Evangelical Churches
- United Methodist Church
- Youth With A Mission (YWAM)



- NOTES:** (1) Dates listed are the earliest recorded ministry or in case of discrepancies, the date most frequently indicated by the sources.
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