A CHRONOLOGY OF PROTESTANT BEGINNINGS: PORTUGAL

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Historical Overview:

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<td>Lisboa (the nation’s capital) was founded by the Phoenicians, according to legend:</td>
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<td>Invasion and conquest by the Moors (Arab Muslims):</td>
<td>711-1150 AD</td>
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<td>Founding of the Portuguese state:</td>
<td>1139</td>
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<td>King Afonso Henriques expels the Moors with help from the Knights Templar:</td>
<td>ca 1150</td>
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<td>Period of Portuguese explorations in the New World:</td>
<td>15th-16th centuries</td>
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<td>Portuguese Inquisition:</td>
<td>1536-1821</td>
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<td>Series of Marian apparitions at Fátima:</td>
<td>1917</td>
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<td>Military dictatorship:</td>
<td>1926-1974</td>
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<td>Liberal revolution and limited religious liberty established:</td>
<td>1974</td>
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<td>Number of North American mission agencies in 1996:</td>
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Indicates European society*

Significant Protestant Beginnings:

1656 - *Anglican Church established among British immigrants.

1763 - *Lutheran Church established among German immigrants.

1838 - *European Missionary Society begins work among returned Portuguese emigrants.

1845 - *A Reformed community was founded in Funchal, Island of Madeira, by a Scottish medical doctor, Robert Reid Kalley.

1867 - *Christian Brethren (Plymouth Brethren)

1871 - *British Methodists begin work in the north; now called the Evangelical Methodist Church.

1871 - *Evangelical Presbyterian Church founded in Lisbon by Antonio de Matos.

1871 - *The Lusitanian Church of Portugal founded by 11 Catholic priests as an independent movement; became affiliated with the Anglican Church in 1980.
1880s - Congregational work began under Manuel dos Santos Carvalho.
1888 - Early Baptist work begins; Brazilian Baptists arrive in 1908.
1904 - Seventh-day Adventists, General Conference
1936 - TEAM (The Evangelical Alliance Mission)
1945 - Conservative Baptist Foreign Missionary Society (now, CBInternational)
1947 - Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Portugal: Pastor Natanael Emmerich from Brazil (incorporated a majority of the existing Congregational churches).
1947 - Union of Evangelical Congregationalist Churches: formed by a group of churches that refused to join the merger that created the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.
1949 - Child Evangelism Fellowship
1959 - Southern Baptist Convention, Foreign Mission Board (now, International Mission Board), affiliated with the Portuguese Baptist Convention
1965 - Church of God World Missions (Cleveland, TN)
1966 - Youth for Christ, USA
1967 - Assemblies of God, General Council
1971 - Greater Europe Mission
1972 - Presbyterian Church, USA
1972 - United Pentecostal Church International
1973 - Church of the Nazarene
1976 - Church of God of Prophecy
1978 - Association of Baptists for World Evangelism (ABWE)
1978 - Correll Missionary Ministries
1979 - Africa Evangelical Fellowship
1979 - Mission to the World, Presbyterian Church of America
1980 - WEC International
1984 - Mana Christian Church – Igreja Crista Maná
1986 - Mennonite Brethren Missions and Services
1986 - Pocket Testament League
1987 - Baptist Bible Fellowship International
1988 - Janz Teach Ministries, Canada
1990 - CEIFA Ministries International
1990 - Grace Brethren International Missions
1992 - The Missionary Church, World Partners
1995 - PAZ International
1996 - BGCC Global Ministries, Canada

Date of Origin Unknown:

Alpha Evangelical Church
Baptist World Mission
Christian Church and Churches of Christ
Christian Congregation of Portugal (missionaries from Brazil)
Christian Presbyterian Church of Portugal (has close relations with the Presbyterian Church of Brazil)
Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith (Philadelphia)
Churches of Revival
Elim Church of Christ
Evangelical Lutheran Church
Maranatha Mission
New Apostolic Church
Pentecostal Church of God
Reformed Church in Portugal (founded by a missionary from the Dutch Reformed Church of South Africa)
The Salvation Army
Wesleyan Methodist Church

NOTES:

(1) Dates listed indicate the earliest recorded ministry or in case of discrepancies, the date most frequently indicated.

(2) North American Agencies include U.S. and Canadian.
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