

## **History of the “House Upon the Rock Assembly of God Church” (ADCR)**

President Pastor: Maria de Lourdes Bonfim

### **The vision of God for His Church:**

On October 15 2006, the brothers in Christ met for the purpose of founding the House Upon the Rock Assembly of God Church. The meeting was held at the “*House of Prayer for All Nations Ministry*” *Assemblies of God*. The first worship service was held at the home of sister María Guadalupe Leyva Barrera, who was reconciled with our Lord Jesus Christ as her only Savior through the life of Pastor Maria de Lourdes Bonfim and she received a great miracle of God.

In the Holy Bible, in the book of Genesis chapter 18, verse 14 tells us: “*Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son*”.(KJV)

Pastor Maria de Lourdes Bonfim asked everyone to pray a prayer of thanks to God for having fulfilled God's purposes for this work, as the vision that God has shown her, and the opportunity for everyone to be participating in the Work of the Lord Jesus Christ. After the prayer, Pastor described this vision to the brothers. Then the Missionary Pablo Palacio brought a message from the Word of God in the book of hebrews which it says:

*“By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: <sup>10</sup> For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God”*. Hebrews 11:9-10 (KJV).

The missionary also said that many years ago he had a vision of God near a church he was invited to preach the Word of God, and he still did not know Pastor. When we looked for a church to begin the Work together with the sister who received the miracle, we made many visits. But when we arrived at the church, the Missionary recalled the vision he had said. Today, God is opening doors, but we suffered much in the beginning because it was a great spiritual war we faced, but by the grace of God we are winning, and we are sure that we are at the center of God's will.

On October 15, 2006, it was founded the “*House Upon the Rock Assembly of God*” Church (ADCR), in the city of Norwalk, Connecticut State. The Constitution, Bylaws and Code of Ethics were created; and the church is affiliated with the *Spanish Eastern District Council of the Assemblies of God, Inc* on September 14, 2009. Also, it is certified and incorporated in the State of Connecticut on October 21, 2009. The *House Upon the Rock Assembly of God Church* is affiliated in the *General Council of the Assemblies of God (USA)* on November 2, 2009.

The “*House Upon the Rock Assembly of God*” Church was founded on the 16 doctrines of Assemblies of God (Statement of Fundamental Truths) which are:

1. The Scriptures Inspired
2. The One True God
3. The Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ.
4. The Fall of Man.
5. The Salvation of Man.
6. The Ordinances of the Church
7. The Baptism in the Holy Spirit.
8. The Initial Physical Evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.
9. Sanctification.
10. The church and Its Mission.
11. The Ministry.
12. Divine Healing.
13. The Blessed Hope.
14. The Millennial Reign of Christ.
15. The Final Judgment.
16. The New Heavens and the New Earth.

So began this work of God because “The Lord has blessed us”.