



## ALLIANCE MISSIONARY PASTOR RAFAEL MILAGRES



- *Outreach initiatives for the community in and around Lima, Peru*
- *Word and Sacrament ministry for local congregations*
- *Shares the Gospel with the children attending Castillo Fuerte*

Brazilian Alliance Missionary Pastor Rafael Milagres is called to serve as a church-planting pastor in Lima, Peru. Currently, he brings Word and Sacrament ministry to three congregations and does outreach activities to bring in new members from the community. Pastor Rafael works alongside a Peruvian pastor and an LCMS deaconess.

Rev. Milagres was brought up in the Roman Catholic church, but he had questions that led him to dig deeper into the Scriptures and seek a church body with more biblical teachings. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Brazil (IELB) provided answers to all his

questions. He studied theology at the university level, and with encouragement from his Lutheran pastor, he began his formal pastoral formation at the Lutheran University of Brazil in 2015. He was ordained in 2021 and called by the IELB to serve as an Alliance Missionary.

Pastor Rafael and his wife Lucia, a fellow convert to Lutheranism, married in 2005. They are parents to a teenage daughter, Mariana.

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