

FFWPU USA Blessing and Family Ministry: In Memory of Sebastian Aguilera

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Sebastian Alvarez Aguilera

Spouse: Maria Santos De Lima

Children: Youngsun, Ohana

Birthdate: June 4, 1962

Blessing: August 25, 1992

Ascension: October 24, 2023

Seonghwa Ceremony: November 4, 2023

Sebastian Alvarez Aguilera was born on June 4, 1962 in Valle Hermoso, Coquimbo, Chile. He was a beloved son to Celia Alvarez Perez and Urbano del Rosario Vega and the youngest of five brothers and sisters. Since he was young, Sebastian loved helping his mother and his community. At 18, he joined the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day Saints - this was the beginning of his journey as a missionary.

In 1979 at 20 years old, he officially moved to Argentina to pursue a new beginning. In 1991, Sebastian was witnessed to by German missionaries Brigitte and Wolf Osterheld and joined the Unification movement. Shortly after he began his first mission with the HSA-UWC in Panama. Within a year, Sebastian prepared for and received the Blessing on August 25, 1992 with his beloved wife of 31 years, Maria Santos De Lima, in Seoul, South Korea.

Eager to continue his missionary work, God led him to Italy where he spent four years raising funds to aid global projects. His time in Italy was an experience he held most dear to his heart. He loved the Italian culture, food, and art, and he would go on to share these memories with his family.

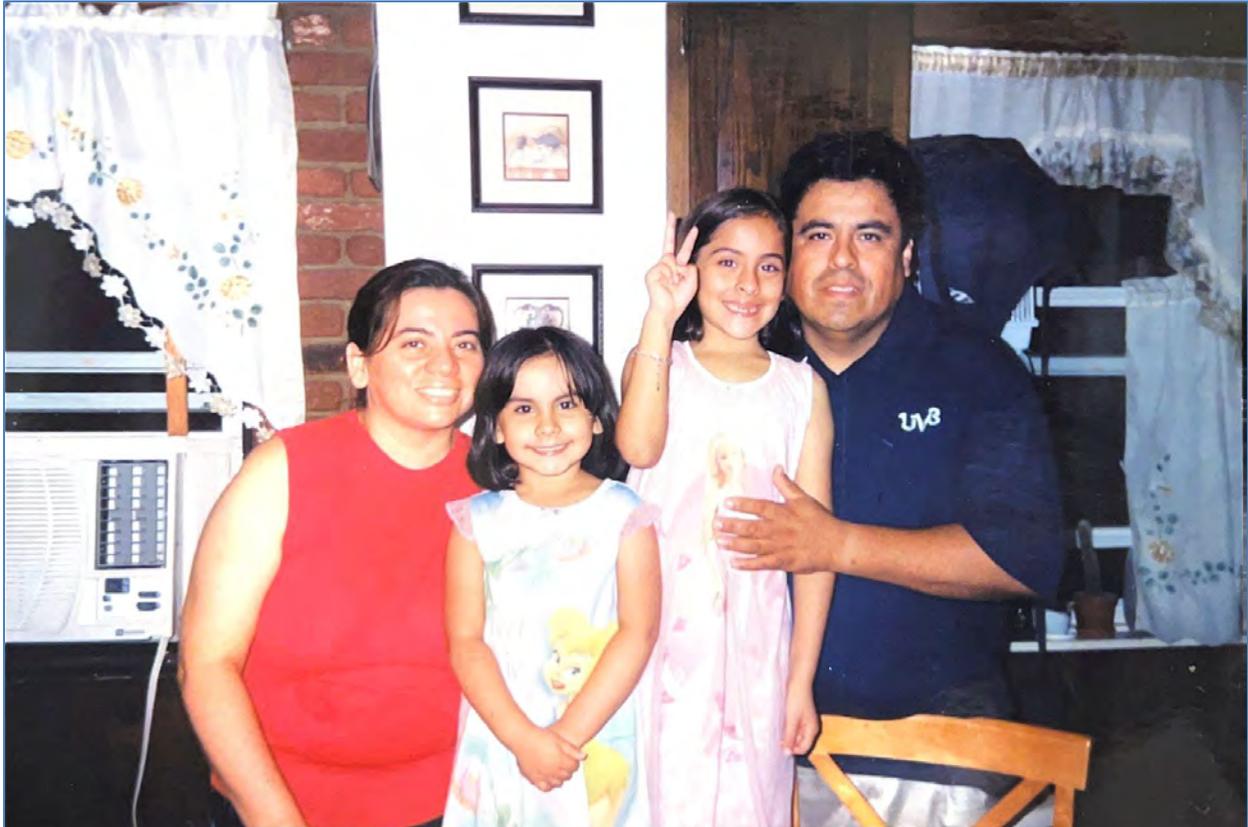
In 1996 Sebastian returned to Chile with his wife to support local church growth. This led him to serve the community as CARP president in 1997. The following year brought the Aguilera couple much joy and excitement as they welcomed the birth of their first daughter, Youngsun Aguilera, in Santiago, Chile. From there on, Sebastian traveled to Manhattan, New York to captain a fundraising team in 1999. In the following year, he settled in the state of Delaware, successfully relocating his beloved wife and daughter to the US.

The Aguilera family established their roots in Delaware, where they witnessed the birth of their second daughter, Ohana Aguilera, and made loving family friends. Sebastian continued to devote his time to helping the Latino Community by visiting churches, witnessing, and lecturing in the area. He also volunteered at the Latin American Community Center, teaching family ideals and marriage classes.

Sebastian and Maria continued giving lectures and hosting bible studies, and their house became a hub for people to share food and have deep conversations about God. The Aguilera family dedicated their time to this for the next few years. Sebastian Aguilera also had mission work in Russia, Switzerland, Nicaragua,

Chile, Brazil, and Argentina, and he brought all of his memories with him in the form of hefty photo albums and stories to tell his family and friends.

Sebastian Aguilera was a beloved son, husband, and father. He was someone with an abundance of love for others. He never took anything too seriously and worked day and night for the well-being of his loved ones. His jokes filled your heart with joy, even if they went over your head at first. Sebastian was an extraordinary singer and loved to sing classic romance songs in Spanish around the house. His presence will be deeply missed, and his greatest legacy was teaching those around him to be kind, hospitable, and patient.



Seonghwa Ceremony

Date: Saturday November 4, 2023 at 10:00 AM EST (Viewing begins at 9:00 AM)

Location: McCreery and Harra Funeral Home (3710 Kirkwood Hwy, Wilmington, DE 19808)

Gofundme to support the Aguilera family: gofund.me/61f5083f

Flowers for the ceremony can be ordered from:

Ron Eastburns (4561 Kirkwood Hwy, Wilmington, DE 19808)

Phone: 302-995-6812

Condolence Cards can be mailed to the family:

Maria Santos De Lima

11 Stanton Avenue, New Castle, DE 19720

Sebastian Aguilera, 10.24.2023



Soonmee Iwasaki is organizing this fundraiser on behalf of Young Sun Aguilera Santos.

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Dear friends and family,

It breaks my heart to make this gofundme.

My childhood friend's father, Sebastian Aguilera, just passed. At this very moment, we are looking for a funeral home to work with the family— that will be an estimated \$9,000 to start.

He has been hospitalized since last week— at the Christiana Hospital and was in the ICU for the time being to stop the bleeding of his popped veins in the throat.

It was just two nights ago, where he was able to transfer out of the ICU. And just earlier today, the doctors were gearing towards discharging him.

Then suddenly at around 12am Oct. 24th, he entered cardiac arrest and soon after, his liver failed. By the time the family arrived at the hospital, they had to accept that it was only a matter of time before they had to let him go— everything happened so fast.

At 3:23am he passed while being surrounded by his loved ones. He is survived by his wife and two daughters— one of who is flying in from Texas right now.

Every time I met him, he only had jokes to tell— the subtle kind where it goes over your head and he'd get you that way... it feels like just yesterday when he would tease me for my driving while letting me take over the wheels of his car. He will be greatly missed by his family, church community and workplace.

Any and all support is appreciated, as it truly becomes an emotional, mental, and physical battle.

Thank you for your understanding and love.

This is what his oldest daughter says about him:

"My dad, was always a hard working man. Above all else, he came to this country on a mission. He soon brought my mother and I over for a better life here in the states. He never stopped joking around. He always knew what to say and how to say it in order to ease our pain. He was kind and loving, always helped people the best he could. I learned how to be fearless from him. He taught me how to drive, how to handle conflict, he taught me everything. He taught me how to care and love."

All proceeds will go to help the Aguilera family. To cover for anything from paying bills, to funeral homes, to accounting for not being able to work at this time.

Thank you.

The obituary is being worked on as the family is currently deciding on a date and venue for the service. In the mean time, here is the Aguilera household address to send any flowers or cards:

11 Stanton Ave. New Castle, DE 19720

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Words of support (8)

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Randall Francis

\$100 • 7 hrs

Peaceful Ascension, dear brother. And love to your beautiful family.



Michiyo Rurup

\$50 • 23 hrs

to support his family, even a little bit. I am sorry I could not do so much at this time. May God's love protect your family. with Deepest Sympathy and Love



Katherine Aguilera Salinas

\$530 • 3 d

Reciban nuestras más sinceras condolencias y consuelo, de parte de su familia de Valle Hermoso, Chile en esta irreparable pérdida...



Laura Cordero

\$30 • 5 d

We are sending great love to your family. Our hearts and prayers are with you.



Wayne Miller

\$1,200 • 8 d

Dear Maria, Youngsun, and Ohana, we are so sorry to hear about the passing of your incredible, loving, and beloved father. We are confident that he will be warmly received in heaven, but we also wish to help support you during this painful,... [Read more](#)



emiljun rapada

\$21 • 8 d

Our sincere condolences. May he rest in peace in God's bosom



Maryjean Hunter

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Thinking of you Ohana and your family- I'm so sorry for the loss of your Dad



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we're so sorry for this sudden loss ❤️

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