

Epistle of the 97<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the  
Yearly Meeting of Friends (Quakers) in Cuba

Greetings to our friends around the world from the 97th Annual Assembly of the Yearly Meeting of Friends (Quakers) in Cuba.

Guided by the theme "A Family United in Mission" and inspired by the biblical passage found in Acts 2:42: "And they decided to live as one great family. And every day the apostles shared with them the teachings about God and Jesus, and they also celebrated the Lord's Supper and prayed together." TLA

We gathered at the Gibara Monthly Meeting and were warmly welcomed by our youth. Filled with joy, we witnessed the church's joy because, despite the challenges inherent in our times, a full year of intense work accompanied by the hand of our good God has been evident. Evidence of this work was the recognition of Brother Luis Carlos Jomarrón Rivero's pastoral gifts, as well as the moving tribute to Pastor Mileydis Batista Sintés, who has reached retirement age after a lifetime of arduous service in the work of Friends.

The messages received during this period invited us to consider what is essential in nurturing spirituality. The passage that guided us led to a minute recognizing the value of the Bridge of Love through the presence of Dover, Portland, Durham, and Providence meetings.

In addition, recommendations were made to promote evangelistic work, encouraged by the text that accompanied the Assembly. Filled with gratitude to the Lord, we were able to hear everything related to the wonderful work carried out by the ICCP throughout this year, work of which we are all part as *a family united in mission*.

May the Lord of love and truth inspire us to be living witnesses of this sentiment.

In the light, Yearly Meeting in Cuba