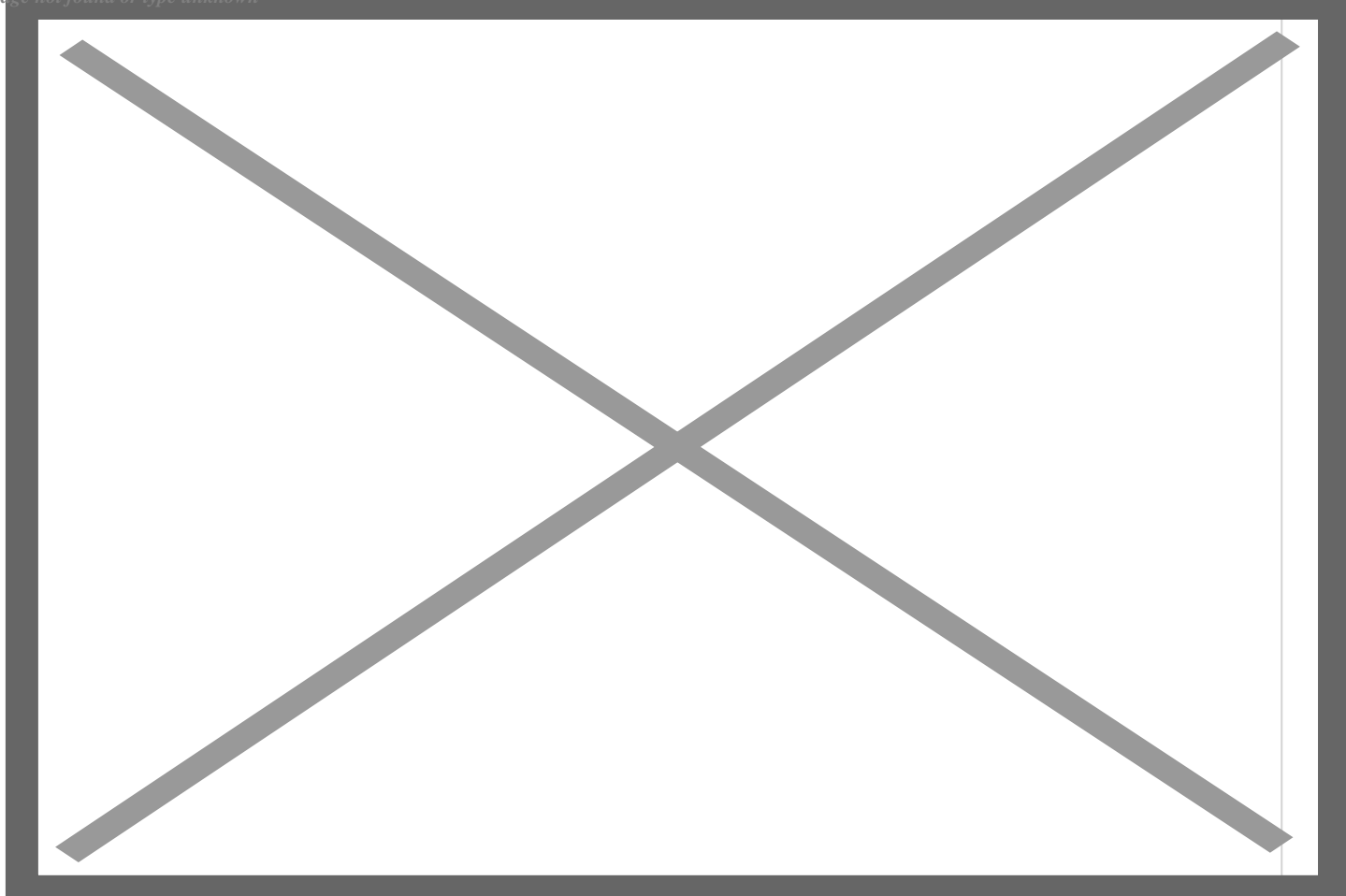


Pastors for Peace to participate in activities for revolutionary celebration in Cienfuegos

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Pastors for Peace present at revolutionary celebration in Cuba. Photo: Prensa Latina

Cienfuegos, July 25 (RHC)-- The 32nd Pastors for Peace Friendship Caravan is participating this Monday in the activities for the 69th anniversary of the assault on the Moncada and Carlos Manuel de Céspedes barracks in the province of Cienfuegos.

The caravanists will visit work centers and communities of Cienfuegos to end the visit with their participation on Tuesday in the central act for the great revolutionary anniversary.

"Having studied here has given me the opportunity to experience the humanity of the Cuban people," said Samira Addrey, a U.S. doctor who graduated from the Latin American School of Medicine and coordinator of the Interreligious Foundation for Community Organization IFCO/Pastors for Peace, to the media.

The caravanists were welcomed by Cuban parishioners attending St. Paul's Church in this city.

Cuban Reverend Raúl Suárez, founder of the Martin Luther King Memorial Center, evoked the beginnings of the Shepherds for Peace Caravan project, promoted by his American colleague Lucius Walker (1930-2010).

Lucius managed to sensitize the American people, through the caravans, that this is a beautiful, just people, that fights for peace and demonstrates that solidarity is also to bring good to other peoples of the world, said the Baptist pastor and deputy to the National Assembly (parliament) of Cuba.

On July 26, 1953, a group of young people led by Fidel Castro, later identified by Cuban history as the Centennial Generation, attacked the Moncada (Santiago de Cuba) and Carlos Manuel de Céspedes (Bayamo) barracks, actions that represented the beginning of the revolutionary struggle against the dictatorship of Fulgencio Batista (1952-1958).

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