

**Report to the XV General Cenacle**  
**Committee on Possible Mission to Cuba**

The General Custodian, John Edmunds and his Council decided in their December 2014 meeting to create a committee for exploring the possibility of a mission in Cuba. The following were named to the committee: Edgar Solano, Enrique Arango and Steve Vesely. Domingo Rodríguez and Frank Conkle were named resource people.

Only a month and a half has gone by since the committee was established. However, the Committee and the resource people have begun gathering information and statistics on the Cuban population, the 11 dioceses and the number of priests and religious in Cuba.

On the occasion of the recent ordinations of Eliézer López and Henry Guerra, the Committee plus John Skrodinsky and Rafael Pisso were able to have a conversation with Emilio Gómez Jaramillo, CMF. Father Gómez is the Director of the Claretian Novitiate in La Estrella, Antioquia, Colombia. He was missioned in Cuba the last 12 years. Thanks to his generosity we were able to compile valuable information on missionary life in Cuba.

The Committee will continue gathering information and will probably recommend to the next administration to contact the Apostolic Nuncio in Cuba and visit Cuba.

Sincerely in the Most Holy Trinity,

The Committee:

Edgar Solano  
Enrique Arango  
Esteban Vesely

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