

REPORT VISIT TO CUBA.

Very happy and grateful of God when we returned from this beautiful country, after having shared and held meetings with Cuban nurses that make up the UEMEC - UNION of nurses MISSIONARIES of CUBA.

The year just passed, we received an email from Dargelia Oquendo Abreu, nurse licensed from Cuba, where SHE had requested CIDEC information - and support on a visit to assist them in their organization such as CNECs.

For reasons of force majeure, we could not make this visit in what remained of the year, so we plan it for this year, tried to make it at the meeting Regional Committee of January so, as March 23rd we arrived at airport of Habana, Ana Mabel Hulet, FROM Argentina and Gladys Altamirano Garrido, from Chile, current President of CIDEC -

We pray much before this activity, but it was a challenge and God's response, because we ask that "it widened our horizons". The answer came and we should assume the responsibility

The sisters were waiting for us with a very touching gesture: waiting for us with a beautiful white rose. They accompanied us to the hostel where overnight stay for 4 days that we were in that country.



We make a small walk through the city, reaching one of the Baptists temples of the city: "EL CALVARIO", which has a membership of 2000 people. It was exciting to meet with a group of people deaf, who were in a Bible study in the temple.

The next day, we met at home of one of the colleagues-Marisela, where we had the chance to meet a health care center. She lives there and care rooms are located on the first floor. We share with a Dr. Who's responsible for medical care and toured the different agencies and we know Cuba's public health care system.



Then we make a meeting with the members of the Board for clarifying some doubts about the statutes, the NCFI Constitution and the Strategic Plan of CIDEA, in addition to the statutes of CIDEA. We had mailed these documents and they had studied them and already had the regulation of the Ministry and UEMEC purposes. We organized the meeting that we would do and we welcome the next day with all the nurses who had been invited. Programme was elaborated



The general meeting with the nurses, was carried out in the halls of the Baptist Temple "Upper room", whose Pastor Rev. Roberto Hernandez Aguilar gave it gladly and accompanied us in this important ceremony.

The members of the Board were presented to, all persons present signed the book of members, read the purposes and the rules of UEMEC, which were approved unanimously and set the amount of dues that must be provided monthly to the organization.



In these times some colleagues shared their personal testimony, in which was revealed the power and love of God that was manifested in the lives of them.

Then Mabel Hulet presented them the Constitution of CIDECA, the Strategic Plan, the objectives of CIDECA, she presented whom Argentina Nurses work in UCEA too, and finally she presented a video of CIDECA Conference - made in Ecuador in August 2014.



Gladys Altamirano  
Regional Committee  
CIDECA- AL  
PRESIDENT



Mabel Hulet  
From Argentina.

We clarify their doubts, we made some suggestions and then we shared a snack and had the possibility to talk to several colleagues and share experiences, requests for prayer and support.



They were moments of enjoyable fellowship with our nurses sisters.

Led us to know and visit 2 hospitals, CALIXTO GARCÍA, very large, cosy, where we were talking with nurses and doctors, and the HERMANOS ALMEIJEIRAS Hospital, which has 24 floors, beautiful, all specialties. We thought it was incredible to meet these as complete assistance centers in Havana. Health care is free.

We also took the opportunity to meet interesting places of the city, in the company of Dargelia, Marisela, Juanita, Maite, of whom we are very grateful. In the same way, we are grateful of the Pastor Hernandez, who has spent 50 years pastoring the Church room high, and supports, together with his family, our colleagues from UEMEC, and CIDEK.

Our sisters, soon sent the official request to join as members of CIDEK and CIDEK - to the. They began this work in 1992, but they have never made the official request to belong to our Organization.

They gave us a memoir written by Dargelia, in which embody their testimonies and many of the activities that have been carried out in all these years for the benefit of patients, the elders of the people most in need of a good nursing care, even have left their families and their country, to go to the aid and on mission to Angola, to Haiti.

Really surprised us for the work they do, for the dedication to the work of the Lord, available to go where needed, healing the sick and preaching the word of God.

**The directive was constituted as well:**

**President:** Dargelia Oquendo Abreu

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Juana Josefina Guerra Quesada.

**Vocal:** Maite Orelly Madera , Maricela Ayala Figueredo, Moraima Alvarez.

We thank God for having allowed to carry out this work, by the prayers of our sisters, our churches, for giving us the possibility of using our own money to work in his work, since we do not use moneys of CIDECA, or another organization. It was a personal contribution to the work of the Lord.

Gladys Altamirano Garrido from Chile. CIDECA\_AL Presidente

Ana Mabel Hulet from Argentina. Responsable CIDECA South zone - to the

April 2015.