Making a pilgrimage to Caacupe, Paraguay for the Feast of the Virgin of Caacupe

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Feast of the Virgin of Caacupe

December 8 is a special day in Paraguay. It is a big festival, a Catholic mass for one of the virgins.

About 50,000 people go every year, most of them walking about 60 kilometers from Asuncion.

We are going to walk with one of our friends. It should be a great day to meet people.

Over 300,000 people came to Caacupe from all over Paraguay.

Many came from Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, and Uruguay as well. It was like a big Catholic Woodstock. Thousands of people slept outside on the plaza.

Thousands walked from Asuncion.

I walked with four friends. It was a twelve-hour walk, and incredibly hot. We were drenched in sweat but high in spirit.