

CONTENTS

Introduction ix

1.

Mary Rescues Us from the Storm:
The Story of the Virgin of Charity 1

2.

Mary Embraces the Dignity of Her Children:
The Colonial Period 17

3.

Patroness of Cuba:
The Virgen Mambisa 33

4.

Love Unites Us:
Celebrating Our Lady of Charity 53

5.

Ermita de la Caridad:
Miami's Shrine for the World 71

6.

How Devotion to Mary Led Me
to Her Son, Jesus 87

Final Word 105

Acknowledgments 107

Notes 109

Bibliography 111