Declaration of the Báb

The Bahá’í Era began with the Declaration of the Bab, May 23, 1844, when the Bab announced that he was a messenger of God and foretold the coming of another messenger of God in the near future. The event took place in Shiraz, Persia (now Iran). The anniversary has most recently been based on the Bahá’í calendar.

The Declaration of the Báb is one of nine holy days of the year when work is suspended for those observing the faith.