

WALDENSIAN MISSIONS AID SOCIETY, SCOTLAND

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The annual meeting of the Central Committee will take place at 33 Melville Street, Edinburgh on Wednesday 2 December 2009, at 2.30 pm.

The Society is promoting an evening Concert of songs, readings and poetry – **“With Great Pleasure”** – with Isobel Mieras (Clarsach) and David Lamb, in **Liberton Kirk Centre, Kirkgate, Edinburgh, at 8 pm on Saturday 6 February 2010**. Concert Tickets including refreshments, at the cost of £5, can be obtained from the Secretary.

*It was a great pleasure and privilege for me to lead the **Group Visit to Italy**, with a stay at the **Foresteria Valdese in Rome**, situated in Trastevere, close to the Waldensian Church at Piazza Cavour, from **Saturday 25 April to Friday 1 May 2009**. The group enjoyed participating in the morning service, on Sunday 26 April, at the Piazza Cavour Church, with Pastor Antonio Adamo, who gave an enthusiastic welcome.*

Copies of the excellent book, “An Alliance Across the Alps”, by Mr. R. D. Kernohan, on the links between Scotland and the Reformed Churches in Italy, are still available. This is a most useful Book, with the full history of the Society and its work since foundation in 1850. The book can be obtained from me at £10 per copy.

*A further **Group Visit to Italy**, based on a stay at the Foresteria Valdese in Torre Pellice, some 20 miles to the west of Turin, in the Waldensian Valleys, is projected for **April 2011**. This is designed primarily for supporters who may not have previously visited Torre Pellice. Any interested persons are invited to contact the Secretary for further details, to be sent in the Summer of 2010.*

The Society records its appreciation of the continuing support of all its members, and of the Hope Trust, [which supports causes which have a specific protestant religious objective, and which have no political allegiance] most warmly. Likewise, donations for the ongoing work will be most welcome, and Gift Aid Declarations can be provided to donors who pay U.K. tax. The Society is usually able to provide a Speaker and a video or CD, for presentations to any interested organisations, who may wish to know more of the work of the Waldensian and Methodist Church and Community in Italy. Requests for further information, including copies of the Waldensian Review, will be welcomed.

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