

WALDENSIAN MISSIONS AID SOCIETY, SCOTLAND

Founded in 1850- Supporting the Waldensian/Methodist Churches in Italy

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The annual meeting of the Central Committee will take place at 33 Melville Street, Edinburgh on Wednesday 7 December 2011, at 2.30 pm.

The Society is promoting another evening Concert of songs, readings and poetry – **“With Great Pleasure”** – with Isobel Mieras (Clarsach) and David Lamb, in **Liberton Kirk Centre, Kirkgate, Edinburgh, at 7.00 pm on Saturday 4 February 2012**. 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 Torre Pellice in April 2011**. The group enjoyed participating in the morning service, on Palm Sunday, 17 April, at local Church, with Pastor Claudio Pasquet, who gave an enthusiastic welcome. At the same service, 10 young people from the congregation were admitted as members.*

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.

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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