WALDENSIAN MISSIONS AID SOCIETY, SCOTLAND

Founded in 1850 [Scottish Charity No. SC.001346] **NEWSLETTER, NOVEMBER 2010**

The annual meeting of the Central Committee will take place at 33 Melville Street, Edinburgh on Wednesday 8 December 2010, at 2.30 pm.

The Society promoted 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. The concert was well attended and raised over £300 for the funds of the society.

It was a great pleasure and privilege to welcome Pastor Giuseppe Platone, of the Waldensian Church in Milan, as the Delegate from the Waldensian Church to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, in May 2010. Pastor Platone was able to meet a number of members of the Committee and supporters of the society, over dinner on 19 May 2010.

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. Some 14 of our supporters will take part in this visit.

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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