

THE WALDENSIAN REVIEW

From the Editor

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Thank you so much for your continuing interest and support with donations and prayers. We are really thrilled to be able to attract new friends, especially thanks to the excellent website set up by Alastair Morris. Many people have now registered their email in order to receive the *Review* via the internet. Many still prefer the paper version, which we are still producing, and for which several people have sent a contribution towards the printing and postage. Receiving letters or emails is very heart-warming; please continue to keep in touch, to register yourself in order to receive our emails and from time to time to have a look at our website for news and novelties:

www.waldensian.org.uk

ABOVE ALL REMEMBER that your financial support is vital if we want to be able to have another Waldensian or Methodist student in Cambridge and to support projects in Italy.

Waldensian Day

On 19 September we had a very successful gathering in St Andrew's Hall in Cambridge. Over 50 people came to listen to a remarkable panel of speakers commenting on the visit by the Pope to the Waldensian Church in Turin and his request of forgiveness on the behalf of the Roman Catholic Church. In the next issue you'll be able to read what was said by David Cornick (General

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Secretary of Churches Together in England), Ken Howcroft (2014–15 President of the Methodist Conference), Mark Langham (Roman Catholic Chaplain to Cambridge University) and Rowan Williams (Master of Magdalene College). Inspiring contributions came also from the attentive and distinguished public. Calendars, books, *gianduotti* chocolates and fantastic little cakes by *Biscotti di Debora* added variety to a full and entertaining day.

News from friends:



Noemi Falla, who was at Wesley House, Cambridge in 2013–14, has graduated in Theology with a thesis on *Jesus and the family: a personal conflict? The portrait of the relationship between Jesus and his own one compared with the harsh words he pronounced about the disciples' families.*



Marco Casci, after spending the academic year at Westminster College, then trained for a month at the International Evangelical Hospital of Genoa in Clinical Pastoral Education with other pastors (or future ones) under the expert supervision of Rev. Sergio Manna.

Simone Maghenzani has now been appointed a Fellow, Lecturer and Director of Studies in History by Girton College, Cambridge.

Keep them all in your prayers!

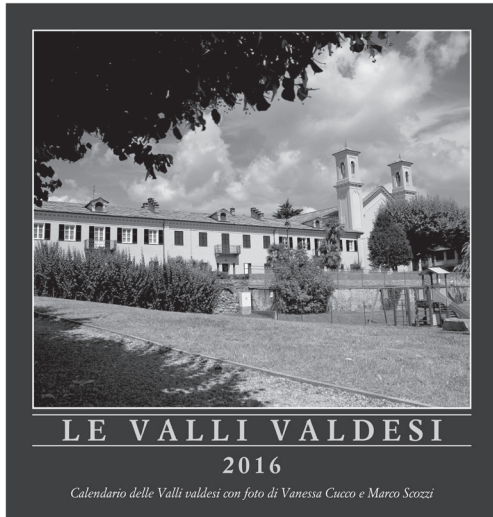
On the Waldensian Day, Simone and Richard Newbury presented the long-awaited reprint of Prescott Stephens' history, *The Waldensian Story: A Study in Faith, Intolerance and Survival*. It has a very enticing foreword by Professor Rev. Euan Cameron (Union Theological Seminar, NY, and Oxford) and an inviting comment from Oxford professor and broadcaster, Diarmaid MacCulloch. It is full of new photographs and, even if you already own a copy, this new edition is definitely worth purchasing. Reprinting it has been a long and arduous struggle and I hope you will show your appreciation by buying many copies; it certainly will make a great present. Order it now along with your calendar and you will receive it well before Christmas.

Synod 2015: a full report by Tim Macquiban is available online.

WALDENSIAN CALENDARS 2016

Back to the traditional photos of the Waldensian Valleys. £11 (p&p included). Please send cheques (payable to *Waldensian Church Mission*) to Milvia Walker: 19, Forest Approach, Woodford Green, IG8 9BW

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For the first time, the English Committee in aid of the Waldensian Church Missions now has its own website. On the site you are able to download the latest copy of the Waldensian Review, but also access the archive of the magazine, going all the way back to 2005.



There are also useful links to other Waldensian websites and reading matter, in both English and Italian. These include some of the Waldensian guest houses which you can stay at while visiting Italy.

Perhaps most excitingly for the prospects of the committee, we now have the ability to take online donations to our funds. As well as details about how to set up a standing order, and gift aid your donations, you can easily click through to the donation pages and make an instant credit or debit card payment. These are supported free of



charge for charities by BT, so you can be sure that it is reliable and secure. Furthermore, the site can automatically reclaim gift aid on our behalf. What could be easier?

To round things off, the website has all the important contact details for the key committee members and a link to our online Charity Commission records.

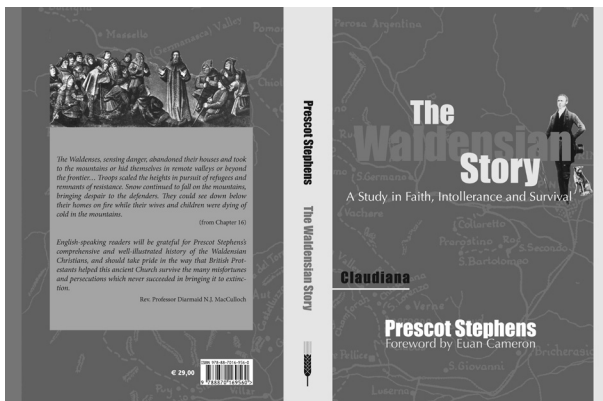
We hope that this first foray into the internet will only be the beginning and the website will offer us many more possibilities in the future, including online sales of publications and plenty more reading matter.

So if you have any suggestions about what could feature on the site, or ways to improve it, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact the website editor Alastair Morris with your ideas:

website@waldensian.org.uk

And finally, please spread the word about the website, sharing the new web address online, linking to it from other sites and raising its profile. We hope that it will become one of the leading English language sites on the Waldensian Church.





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