



# THE WALDENSIAN REVIEW

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## From the Editor

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Thank you for your constant interest and for your support with your thoughts, your prayers and your financial help. However, the **numbers of supporters and donations are dropping year by year, and we must all try to do our best to raise more interest and to find new friends**, for the work of the Waldensian Church is vital to Italian society, both spiritually and materially, as for instance in the welcoming of migrants and refugees. Our Mission has chosen to sustain areas that do not receive public money, such as the running costs of the church itself and especially in the fields of Evangelisation and youth work and for the training of future ministers.

If you would like to organise a Waldensian event we can help with ideas, speakers and material: indeed there is so much one can tell and share! Waldensian history ranges from the twelfth century to nowadays and we can provide churches, groups and individuals with talks, films, books, or we can set up **tours** and **holidays** in Italian scenic places full of History. These range from the **Foresteria** of **Torre Pellice** in the Waldensian Valleys in the Italian Alps to that of **Palermo**. We have Guest Houses in elegant palaces in **Venice, Florence** and **Rome**, beach guest houses on the **Ligurian Riviera** and on the **Isle of Elba**, along with lovely hillside accommodation in **Tuscany** at Reggello and in **Sicily** at Servizio Cristiano di Riesi. These are all cheaper and friendlier than their commercial counterparts and the profits are for the excellent outreach of the Waldensian/Methodist Church.

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*July and January in the Valleys.*



*Richard and Erica Newbury, Noemi Falla, Milvia and Richard Walker.*

Our representative at the 2017 Synod in Torre Pellice was Richard Newbury, whose report will be available in our Summer issue. There were five new ministers ordained, three men: Stefano Giannatempo, Stanislao Calati and Francesco Marfè and two women: Ilenya Goss and 'our' Noemi Falla.

The Waldensian Day in Cambridge was joyful and successful: full report on both events in the Summer issue.

During the Summer for the second year running the Leys School (Methodist) in Cambridge hosted some students from the Collegio Valdese in Torre Pellice and there are plans for a return visit. This was organised thanks to the Leys Chaplain, the Rev Clifford Meharry. More news in the Summer issue.



*The Moderator E. Bernardini, N. Falla, F. Marfè, the preacher Prof F. Ferrario, S. Giannatempo, I. Goss.*

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Christmas is approaching fast, and what could be more appropriate than giving yourselves and your family and friends a Waldensian calendar, even better if accompanied by one (or more) of the books available also on our website? *The Waldensian Story* by Prescott Stephens (£25.00 p&p included) and *Think of a Farmhouse in the Mountains* by Rev G.Platone and M.Sappè (£12.50 p&p included). Cheques to **Waldensian Church Mission** and they are available from: N. Raddon, 19 Sampson Avenue, Barnet EN5 2RN.

*Finally, may I wish you all a very Merry Christmas.  
Erica Scropo Newbury, Editor*

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