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The meetings held in the last year were the Annual FCI Day on 2 October 2010 and the two regular management committee meetings, in October 2010 and May 2011. A seminar is planned for Saturday 19 November 2011, which I hope you will consider attending. It is to be held in Leicester and has been advertised in Pilgrim and on fliers here today.

2011 is not the year for the St Thomas Unity Lecture but we look forward to that next year, 2012, and planning is already under way, with the lecturer and his subject chosen. We are very grateful to the former secretary, Margaret Smith, for agreeing to coordinate the lecture tour. Margaret has also worked very hard as Membership Secretary, persuading people to join and to pay their subscriptions, for which we thank her very much. Inevitably, some friends have died since the last FCI Day and membership numbers fall without positive action.

I hope you have enjoyed reading the two editions of Pilgrim published this year. We are extremely fortunate that our editor, Revd Dr Timothy Mark, has given of his time and energy so unstintingly and produced such excellent journals. But that is not all of his FCI work – last year Timothy produced a calendar to raise funds for FCI and, as you will have seen today, he has produced another for 2012, which I hope you have all bought, both for your enjoyment and for raising more money.

Greetings from FCI were sent to CNI for their 40th Anniversary celebrations of Unity last October. Our chair, Julie, attended the CSI/CNI Relations Forum in April, in Utrecht, on behalf of FCI and Julie was pleased to note that FCI definitely has a place in the forum for sharing information and experience.

I would like to thank FCI committee members and friends for helping me learn things I need to know about the secretary's job in this, my first year, and hope I haven't forgotten too many things.

Angela Wingate (Secretary)

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