

My year as National Convener has now come to an end, I was overwhelmed to receive this honour. It was my pleasure to undertake many visits during the year meeting many members and without exception was made very welcome. This lived up to part of our aim of fellowship and friendship and was not dependent on the numbers attending. It was interesting to see the different approaches to the meetings; I came away heartened that “where there are 2 or 3 gathered in my name there am I”.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support and prayers during this past year and particularly on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May when I had to give the Guild Report at the General Assembly. It was a great feeling to know that I had many Guild friends behind me on the day. I would like to thank all those who participated in my Convener’s challenge and hope that those involved enjoyed it.

On the evening, of the Big Sing, which I hope those attending enjoyed, my thanks go to all who participated, the sum of £3,437.05 was raised, which will be added to the offerings uplifted at the previous Big Sings this session to replace a church roof in Mzuzu, Malawi.

Those of you who meet during the winter I wish a relaxing break and hopefully pleasant summer weather. To those of you meeting at present may you enjoy a fruitful session.

As I sign off, I take this opportunity to thank you for all your kindness to me and wish you all the best for the future as the Guild moves forward with the changes in the constitution that have been agreed. I know that you will give our new National Convener, Marian Macintyre, the same support.

Every blessing to you all

Patricia Robertson