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Dear Colleague,

Religion and Modern British History Symposium

Following the success of similar day conferences in 2009, the Modern British History Network is planning an exciting new event for next year's schedule. In March 2010 we will sponsor our first symposium on 'Religion and Modern British History'. Once again we are particularly inviting members of all the Scottish universities and the northern English universities, although all are most welcome. The sessions are to be in Abden House, University of Edinburgh on Saturday 27 March, during which we are pleased to have two keynote papers from notable historians in the northern universities:

- **Professor Stewart J. Brown** (New College, University of Edinburgh) 'The Broad Church Movement and National Culture in Great Britain, c.1850-c.1900'
- **Dr Martin Spence** (International Christian College, Glasgow) 'Premillennialism, Society and Reform in Nineteenth-Century Britain'

Several short papers by other academics or postgraduates will also be presented throughout the day. The event is part of the Modern British History Network funded by the Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland. The Network serves as a means of communication and a focal point for those working in the field of modern British history, supporting both postgraduates and established scholars in new collaborative research projects.

We welcome short papers, whether sharply focused or wide ranging, on any topic related to the influence of religion in Britain since c. 1750. They may cover national or local developments in any aspect of the British past down to c. 2000, but must be planned to last no more than 25 minutes in delivery. We hope there will be coverage of the whole period since the late eighteenth century. Offers of such papers are invited from academics or postgraduates on the booking form available from the MBHN website (www.mbhn.org.uk) or from Cullen Clark at c.t.clark@stir.ac.uk by 31 January 2010. Although we are sorry that no expenses can be paid to speakers, the cost of the whole event has been kept to a minimum thanks to the support of the Carnegie Trust. A total charge of £25 will cover the symposium, lunch and all refreshments. Postgraduates will receive a reduced rate of £15. We do hope you may be able to join what promises to be an excellent opportunity to hear papers of quality and meet colleagues with similar interests.

Yours sincerely,

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