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FERENC DÁVID

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As its translator, I proudly announce an impressive new scholarly work on Francis Dávid written by Prof. Mihály Balázs at the University of Szeged, Hungary, and published by the University of Strasbourg under the series editorship of Prof. André Séguenny.

This is the first comprehensive history of early Transylvanian Unitarianism. Its prestigious author is an outsider but the top expert on early Unitarianism in Europe, giving the work a special objectivity and integrity. This work is the fruit of his decades-long research and integration of histories and contradictions. He consults and summarizes every known primary source in its original language.

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I was privileged to translate this superb Hungarian scholarship, working with my husband, Prof. George Williams, as English editor, I am thrilled that American Unitarian Universalists finally have a detailed and contextualized presentation of Francis Dávid's work as well as complete access to these fascinating sources of our religious roots.

This is *the* book for which our English-speaking Unitarian Universalist friends, our UU churches and theology schools have been waiting.

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