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The Immanuel Union United Methodist Church Board of Trustees and the Administration Council support the GreenBridge Community Development Corporation, as the fiscal sponsor of the Lenape Union Land Trust. We are in support of fund raiser efforts by GreenBridge CDC and the Lenape Union Land Trust, to pay the demolition costs at the Little Union Church (AKA Friendship Mission), at 5083 West Denney's Road, Dover, Delaware. Trying to pay the cost would free the property for a Quit Claim Deed.

This protocol was a recommendation of Commissioner Mr. Jeffery Hall, Kent County Levy Court.

Immanuel Union UMC is also in support of sustainable land management and water stewardship training in order to provide local jobs and promotes cemetery care in nontoxic ways.

Our cemeteries are in need of some restoration to various monuments and headstones. Some have settled, lost their foundations. Some have toppled over due to age and lost their support. Many have been stained by the weather. The oldest stone at Immanuel is dated 1865. The fence on the property on Main Street is in need of repairs and restoration. Stones and monuments at Fork Branch Cemetery, and Little Union Cemetery are in need of restoration.

Immanuel Union UMC supports any efforts by the GreenBridge CDC and the Lenape Union Land Trust toward stewardship of these our sacred burial grounds, containing the Blood and Bones of our ancestors.

Thank You,

Richard Durham
Immanuel Union UMC Board of Trustees