Friends,

Let me introduce you to the first GMC church in all of the Northeast Jurisdiction (West Virginia, Maryland, Washington, DC, and all the states to the north and east):

On Monday the Transitional Leadership Council of the Global Methodist Church officially welcomed New Hope GMC in Presque Isle, Maine. Their shepherd is Pastor HyungYong Choi, who was also welcomed as the first GMC clergy in the Northeast.

Pastor Choi and his flock were formerly part of Grant Memorial UMC in Presque Isle. However, they chose, after much prayer, deliberation and struggle, to depart and launch this new ministry. Grant Memorial remains a UMC congregation, and some of the members have remained there.

Please be in prayer for this new congregation. They have much work to do! May they be empowered by the Spirit of Christ to worship boldly, love extravagantly, and witness boldly concerning the Good News of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ.

Please also pray for Grant Memorial UMC. This separation is undoubtedly difficult as they set their course with a diminished congregation. May God guide them and equip them in faithful service in His Kingdom.

Yours in Christ, Jim Proctor

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