Letter to Friends from David Fowler

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Dear Friends,

What or how can we make amends to you, for what you have done for us and for our Town in sending those Books to the Children, surely you have shown us very great kindness, this the work of God, for the World is his and the Fullness thereof, it is he that puts into the Hearts of his People to give liberally unto us poor Indians.

Thanks be to God for his goodness toward us, in preserving and maintaining us but above all that we were born in Christian Land, that we might hear and know the wonderful works of God, for our immortal souls, and that we and many of our poor dependent Nation have experienced the love of God and to enjoy that peace and joy unto our souls which the word cannot give nor take away. We thank you for the favours we have received from your hands— we hope God will reward you for it— and of have put many Books into my hands, I shall endeavor to get them up to our settlement and get the school going as quick as we can— I also will let you know what proficiency the children this Summer— this is from your friend and Brother,

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Letter from David Fowler
dated 20th March 1793

To the Friends

in

Philadelphia
An Indian Settlement at a town called Brotherton in Oneida Country consisting of various tribes from New England & some from Long Island; consisting in the whole of 26 families—and 113 Parsons—distance from Albany abs 110 miles—the all speak English, they profess themselves to be Baptists, they have a Meeting House which is also used for a School, where 25 Children are taught to read write & Arithmetic, the teacher is a young married many who gives satisfaction in his employment.