## **Press Release**

October 8, 2020

To: WMUR and Other Media Outlets

From: Pastor Paul Berube, Gate City Church Re: Covid Infections at Nashua Church

We are deeply troubled by the recent infections seemingly connected to recent prayer meetings at our Church. Our number one concern has been and will always remain the safety and welfare of our people. Our hope and prayer is that whoever has been affected will recover quickly.

Please understand that we have diligently endeavored to follow *State of New Hampshire and CDC Protocols*. We implemented strict social distancing, physically removing more than half the seats in our facility. We screened our attendees for fever, provided hand sanitizer, required masks when proceeding to or from seats, and posted advisory signs. Each and every seat, handrail, and door knob in our facility was sprayed with disinfectant before and after each meeting. If these infections did occur in our facility, they did so notwithstanding the careful work of our staff, whose efforts likely mitigated even further spread of the infection.

We want to thank the Head of Nashua Public Health Bobbie Bagley and her team for setting up quick response testing for those exposed. Our posture has been and will continue to be to fully cooperate with responsible authorities and to do everything possible to mitigate any further spread of this virus.

Thank you for joining with us in prayer for those impacted by this illness. With the help of the Lord we will get through this! Psalms 121:1-2