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Andrew Wommack Ministries, Inc. dismisses federal lawsuit to avoid answering federal judge's questions about its ongoing conference. Teller County and State file new complaint in Teller County District Court seeking compliance with Public Health Order.

TELLER COUNTY, COLORADO – On October 8, 2020, Federal District Court Judge Christine M. Arguello held a hearing on a motion for emergency injunctive relief filed by Teller County and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) seeking an order from the court for AWMI to comply with current Public Health Orders.

At the hearing, AWMI's attorneys were unable to answer the federal judge's questions about the details of the conference, the number of attendees, social distancing, mask wearing and how AWMI was complying with the Public Health Orders. When the federal judge asked for Mr. Andrew Wommack to appear by phone at the hearing to answer these questions, AWMI's attorney abruptly moved to dismiss its federal lawsuit and the case was dismissed.

After AWMI dismissed the case, Teller County contacted AWMI to discuss its plans for complying with the Public Health Orders for the remainder of the conference. AWMI did not respond to this request.

This afternoon, the County and the State CDPHE filed a complaint in the Teller County District Court seeking an emergency temporary restraining order from the Court for AWMI to comply with the Public Health Orders.

Last week, on September 29, 2020, the federal court denied AWMI's lawsuit that it be exempt from the Public Health Orders so that it could proceed with its Minister's Conference with conference for hundreds of attendees at its Charis Bible College campus just outside Woodland Park, Colorado. On October 5, 2020, the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals also denied AWMI's motion. Despite the court orders, AWMI proceeded with the event on Monday night, October 5, 2020, as scheduled, with an estimated 600 to 1,000 people in attendance.

Teller County continues to conduct case investigations and contact tracing for the COVID-19 outbreak following AWMI's previous event in July 2020. Teller County remains concerned that AWMI's conference poses a threat to public health in Teller County and the State of Colorado.