



Asheville, NC, May 13, 2011

Evangelist Billy Graham improvement continues

Evangelist Billy Graham, who is being treated for pneumonia at Mission Hospital in Asheville, NC, near his home in Montreat, continues to improve, his physicians and staff reported today. He remains listed in fair condition.

Mr. Graham's pulmonologist, Shaw C. Henderson, MD, and his regular primary care physician, Lucian Rice, MD, confirmed that he is responding well to antibiotic therapy. Both physicians have been working together to plan for his transition home and continuing recovery there, though no date has been set for his release.

Mr. Graham's staff said that, following a comfortable night during which he slept well, he continues to be in good spirits. He met this afternoon with Ronald A. Paulus, MD, President and CEO of Mission Health System and Mission Hospital, and Kathleen C. Guyette, MSN, RN, Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer. His staff added that during their 20-minute visit, Mr. Graham praised the "skill and loving care" of the nursing staff.

Note: We expect this to be the last update today, Friday May 13, 2011

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