

Billy Graham Hospitalized for Respiratory Issue

U.S. evangelist **Billy Graham** is being treated for respiratory congestion and is expected to be hospitalized for several days, his spokesman said on Wednesday.

Graham, who celebrated his 95th birthday earlier this month at a party attended by nearly 900 guests, including celebrities, was admitted on Tuesday to a hospital near his home in the North Carolina mountains.

“Mr. Graham is in the hospital with a respiratory congestion issue, similar to what he had a few weeks ago,” said spokesman Mark DeMoss. “As was the case then, we expect he will be able to return home in a day or two.”

Graham, known for his dynamic delivery of Christian **gospel** in America during seven decades in the pulpit, is in frail health and has been hospitalized on a number of occasions in recent years. At his birthday celebration on November 7, he sat in a wheelchair and spoke only briefly to his guests.

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