

Billy Graham Visits With NC Governor

North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory visited **Billy Graham** and **Franklin Graham** Friday at the elder Graham's home in Montreat, N.C.

McCrory served as mayor of Charlotte for 14 years. He was in office when the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association moved their headquarters to Charlotte and built the Billy Graham Library. McCrory was instrumental in helping to relocate the ministry to North Carolina.

McCrory was an honored guest at dedications of the BGEA headquarters and the Billy Graham Library. The mayor also visited the Operation Christmas Child processing center in Charlotte in 2006, 2007, and 2008.

Governor McCrory was visiting the mountains of western North Carolina as part of his "Main Street" tours, which highlight his stated desire to revitalize small towns. He visited a hardware store in Black Mountain earlier in the day, as well as an elementary school in Flat Rock.

The governor spoke of Billy Graham's impact on his home state, and recalled a visit with Mr. Graham on the platform of the 1996 Charlotte Crusade in what was then Ericsson Stadium.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the men prayed together for the Governor, his family and the state.

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