On Saturday, March 17, 2012, Safe Harbor Christian Church in Memphis, Indiana held a St. Baldrick's event to fund childhood cancer research. The initial fundraising goal was $3000, yet the event has raised $8200 to date, and still counting! This is quite an accomplishment for an area nearly leveled by the recent tornado of March 2.

The St. Baldrick's Foundation is a volunteer-driven charity dedicated to raising money for childhood cancer research. At an event, volunteers shave their heads to raise money for life-saving children's cancer research, and to stand in solidarity with kids who have cancer.

Honored guests Juliana Smith and David Kessinger, childhood cancer survivors, were present and Juliana donated her hair to Locks of Love. David's parents, Kami and David, both shaved their heads. 17 shavees raised money for this worthy cause.

Special thanks to Tanners of Henryville for their generous donations of food and condiments. Also to Hsaio Ling Gardner, who donated her face-painting skills. Ms. Gardner is a teacher at Henryville Elementary who was affected by the tornado.

Safe Harbor expects to host another St. Baldricks event next March, 2013.

About the St. Baldrick's Foundation

The St. Baldrick's Foundation is a volunteer-driven charity committed to funding the most promising research to find cures for childhood cancers and give survivors long and healthy lives. The Foundation funds more in childhood cancer research grants than any organization except the U.S. government. St. Baldrick's funds are granted to some of the most brilliant childhood cancer research experts in the world and to younger professionals who will be the experts of tomorrow. Funds awarded also enable hundreds of local institutions to participate in national pediatric cancer clinical trials, a child's best hope for a cure. Since the Foundation's first grants as an independent charity in 2005, it has funded over $78 million in childhood cancer research. For more information about St. Baldrick's, call 1.888.899.BALD or visit StBaldricks.org.

Worldwide, more than 160,000 children are diagnosed with cancer each year, and it remains the leading cause of death by disease among children in the United States. With only 4 percent of all federal cancer research funding dedicated to pediatric cancer research, St. Baldrick's Foundation grant funds are critical to continue the battle against this devastating disease.