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During its nearly 50 year history, St. Jude has
pioneered a bench-to-bedside model in advancing the

\* care and treatment of catastrophically ill children and

\* developed groundbreaking protocols for providing

Dear Friend,

Your gift of \$230 to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital has helped so many of our boys and girls spend this Father's Day with their dads -- and I'd like to share one of their stories with you today.

In early 2006, Evans' parents were shocked to learn that <u>their sweet 2-year-old son was suffering from acute lymphoblastic leukemia</u> (ALL), a dangerous form of childhood cancer. The family's pediatrician referred Evans to St. Jude for treatment right away.

At St. Jude, Evans' parents quickly learned that <u>we were serious about beating his cancer</u>. His mom remembers, "As soon as Evans' doctor walked in the room and told us that Evans had ALL, I said, 'Can you treat him?' and his doctor said, 'No, <u>we're going to cure him</u>.' I can't tell you how it feels, as the parent of a child battling cancer, to hear those words. It is amazing."

Our doctors placed the little boy on a protocol of chemotherapy, and I have to tell you, the treatment hasn't always been easy. "The nurses told us that treating ALL is like a marathon, it's not a sprint," Evans mom says. "They said don't exhaust yourself at the beginning because it's a long process."

Today Evans is one step closer to making his doctor's promise come true -- because <u>his cancer is in</u> remission, and Evans is looking forward to spending this Father's Day with his dad.

This would never have been possible without the driving force behind our mission -- the generosity of good people like you. We depend on generous friends to make our lifesaving care possible, and I hope that you will keep St. Jude in your heart so that we can tell the next parents who come to us that their child's life is not over . . . not only are we going to treat that child -- we're going to cure them. God bless your good heart.

For the children,

Marlo Thomas

P.S. U.S. News & World Report has ranked St. Jude the top children's cancer hospital in the nation. We are honored that the magazine has recognized our focus on world-class research and first-class patient care.