

Way to Go Immanuel – Cicero!!

For 5 days in August, when mosquitoes are fright and numerous and 3 Sundays in January when mosquitoes are farthest from our minds, the VBS students from Immanuel Lutheran of Cicero, with a little help from the congregation, pulled together and pooled their resources to raise \$700 towards the malaria campaign! Their task was literally in front of them, an "off"ering can made by Tammy Thomas was empty and they wanted to fill it! And, fill it, they did! Each day the students were reminded of the mosquitoes and those who are not as fortunate to have comfortable sleeping and living conditions. The students responded with much enthusiasm and grace!

So, how do you equate abstract numbers into tangible objects that children can relate to? On the Sunday when the amount was revealed, there were postcards numbering 1-70 individually stapled into the Worship folders. When it was time to announce the total, the numbers were counted out and the person whose number matched stood up. When it was all said and done, 70 people were standing! Thanks was given to God on behalf of the students and their offerings and it was mentioned that 70 nets would go along way in saving a village. These students were life-savers!

**Thanks be to God for
enthusiasm and grace!**

