

## ELCA Malaria Campaign...



Sharon Fox Bogen, AIM from ELCA Malaria Campaign visited Elias Lutheran Church to talk about the need to help prevent malaria with mosquito nets and clean water. She asked the Sunday School children to assist her with the presentation. If you would like additional information please contact [sfoxbogen@yahoo.com](mailto:sfoxbogen@yahoo.com) or call her at 715-507-0618. Some of the solutions that were mentioned were destroying mosquito habitat and standing water near people, sleeping under long-lasting insecticidal nets, ensure indoor residual spraying of insecticide, treat malaria with new artemisinin-based combination therapy, intermittent preventive treatment in pregnancy, intermittent preventive treatments in infants.



The Elias Lutheran Sunday School Youth in Service for Christ Students assist with a mosquito net during a demonstration of the bed netting during an informational speech after church service. Ms. Sharon Fox Bogen, AIM lead the group with putting the smallest children Nicholas Young, Zachery Young and Emma Foster under the net, while Sarah Hohn, Mackenzie Foster and Jordan Madsen held three of the corners of the netting.



Zachary Young, Nicholas Young, and Emma Foster look on as Sharon Fox Bogen speaks about the water issues that many people are facing in their daily lives.

Sharon Fox Bogen, AIM was showing the kids clean clear water compared to brown (waste filled) water. She asked what water they would rather drink. No one wanted to drink the dirty water. She explained how many people don't have clean water and are too poor to change their situation.

The ELCA, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America is cooperating with our companion churches in Africa and the entire USA to raise \$15 million by 2015 to make malaria history in Africa. Our goals include education for Americans and for people who live in danger of malaria. We will buy treated bed nets in Africa to stop the biting which happens at night, and we will train local groups to spray homes, provide clean water, and offer preventative medication, care and treatment for those infected with malaria.

Malaria infects people in areas of poverty where heat and standing water provide a habitat for the anopheles mosquito to act as a vector to spread this deadly blood-borne disease. Pregnant women and children are most at risk. Those who are hungry with too little protein in their diet are also more susceptible. Malaria is preventable and treatable. We are joining with other church and government organizations and philanthropists because we know that together we can contain malaria in Africa!!

If you would like to help you can send a donation for the ELCA Malaria Campaign, please mail and make check payable to Elias Lutheran Church, N6106 County Rd G, Gresham, WI 54128 (memo to designate to ELCA Malaria Campaign) or call The United Lutheran Parish at 888-636-4276. Any amount will help save lives. For more information on ELCA call 800-638-3522 or [www.elca.org/malaria](http://www.elca.org/malaria)

Thank you.