



SUMMER 2027

MALAWI

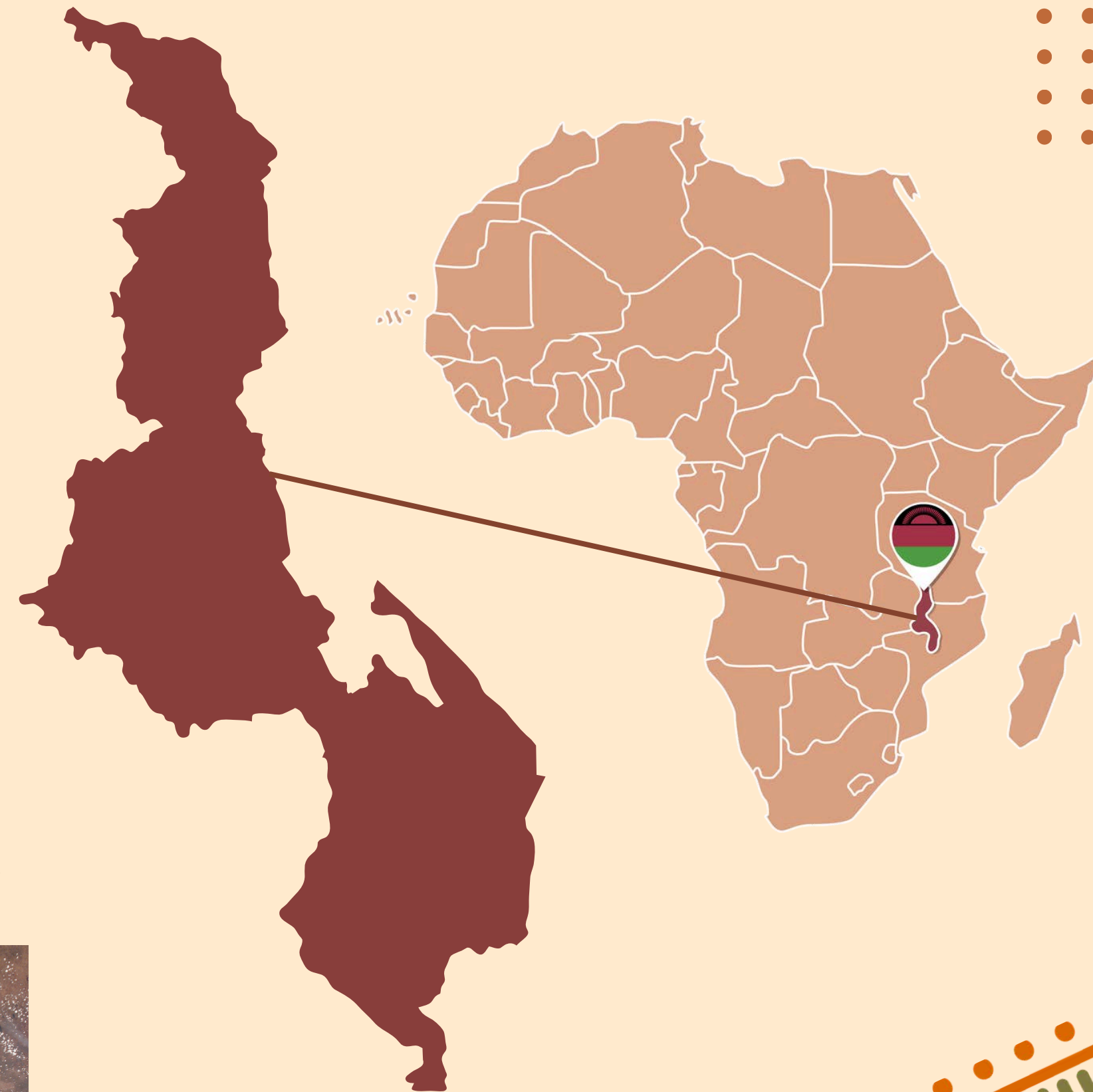
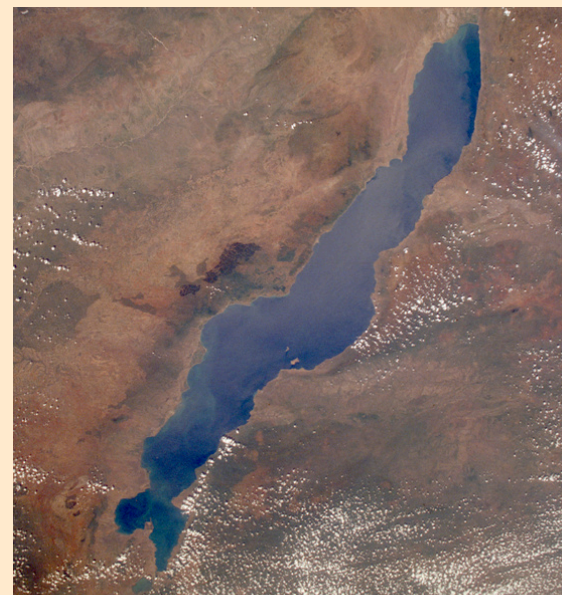
ABOUT MALAWI

Malawi is in the southeastern region of Africa bordering Tanzania, Mozambique, and Zambia

It is known as “The Warm Heart of Africa” due to the kind hospitality of its people

- Capital and Largest City: Lilongwe
- Population: ~22 million (2025/2026 estimate)
- Official Language: English, Chichewa (chee-chay-wah) is the national language
- Currency: Malawian Kwacha (qwah-cha)
- Poverty Rate: Over 70% of the population lives below the national poverty line

Lake Malawi is the most biodiverse lake in the world- it holds over 1,000 species of fish!





WHY MALAWI?

For many years, Fair Oaks Church has partnered with a small nonprofit called Miqlat that focuses on providing essential needs to the children of Malawi, specifically the villages surrounding their Thuchila and Kogoya Hope Centers.

Members of the church helped to fund the building of the Thuchila Hope Center and the majority of the children served there are sponsored by Fair Oaks Church goers!



A NEED FOR EDUCATION

Education Level	Completion Rate	Key Insight
Primary (1st-8 th grade)	~ 33% overall completion	Over 80% of Malawi's total 4.5 million student population is in primary school.
Junior Secondary (9 th & 10 th grade)	~ 23% completion	Enrollment rates fall sharply after primary school.
Senior Secondary (11 th & 12 th grade)	~ 15% completion	Dropouts are heavily influenced by poverty and early marriage.
Higher Education (College)	~ 1.3% hold a Bachelor's degree	Only 0.9% hold a Master's, and 0.1% have a Doctorate.

Due to many factors that propel a cycle of poverty, Malawi is in desperate need of good, sustainable education. Miqlat is doing their part to help provide that for the children in Thuchila and Kogoya by offering free private Christian schooling.

Our team comes alongside Miqlat teachers to help provide invaluable training in order to ensure that the children are able to learn and continue their education beyond the typical statistics.

An important note: The school system in Malawi uses standards rather than grade level. A child can only move up to the next standard once they have passed the previous one.

It is not uncommon to see teenagers and elementary aged kids in the same standard because they are unable to pass. This is why good education and well trained teachers are critical.



WHO IS THIS TRIP FOR?

- Those with a heart to connect others to the transforming power of Jesus
- Those with a passion to teach children and other teachers - both Hope Centers have full elementary schools on site!
- Those who have a desire to care for the Malawian people
- Those who have a heart to support missionaries
- Those who have patience for and work well with a team
- Those who are 16 years or older



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WHEN IS THE TRIP?

June 17th-July 4th, 2027

HOW MUCH WILL THE TRIP COST?

The estimated cost will be about \$5,000
(Don't let that number scare you! You will
have plenty of time and help to fundraise)

**NOT
SURE
YET?**

Apply anyway! You will be informed of
when you need to make a commitment.
Don't close an open door - keep praying
and allow the Lord to lead you!



WHERE CAN I APPLY?

Use this QR code or the link below to start your application. You will need to create a ManagedMissions account, if you do not have one already.



Make sure to submit your application by November 30th!

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HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

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