



Day 1

Malawi

DEDZA YOUTH ADVOCACY

A huge problem that young people are facing in Malawi as in many African countries is HIV/AIDS. The Malawi Team wants to develop and establish a youth resource centre where young people can get counseling and support when they are infected or when the disease is causing major problems within the family.

Our goal is "to see an HIV/AIDS free society, respect of human rights and potential reproductive health, people contributing to development. "

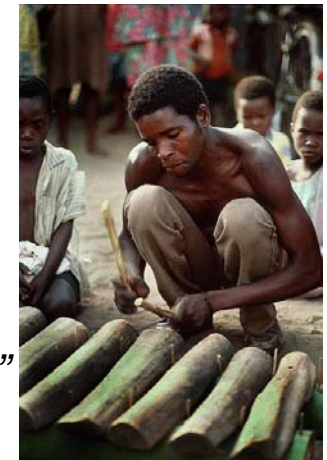




The Republic of Malawi is a landlocked nation in southeastern Africa.

Lake Malawi comprises about a fifth of the country's territory and it is stretched through most of its eastern border.

The origin of the name Malawi remains unclear; it is held to be either derived from that of southern tribes, or noting the "glitter of the sun rising across the lake" (as seen in its flag).



"Malawi is a country where there is peace, stability and prosperity."

"Malawi is the warm heart of Africa (Rift Valley [Lake lake Malawi] and Mountains [Mulanie and Dedza mountains]). "





Child mortality is 103/1000. There are more than a million orphans, 700,000 of which became orphans when their parents died of AIDS.

According to Malawi government estimates, 14.2 per cent of the population is HIV-positive, and 90,000 deaths in 2003 were due to AIDS. Unofficial estimates based on private hospital entries give a HIV infection percentage of 30 per cent.

