

MEDICINE AS MISSION

Living out the Gospel through Healthcare
Among the Poor

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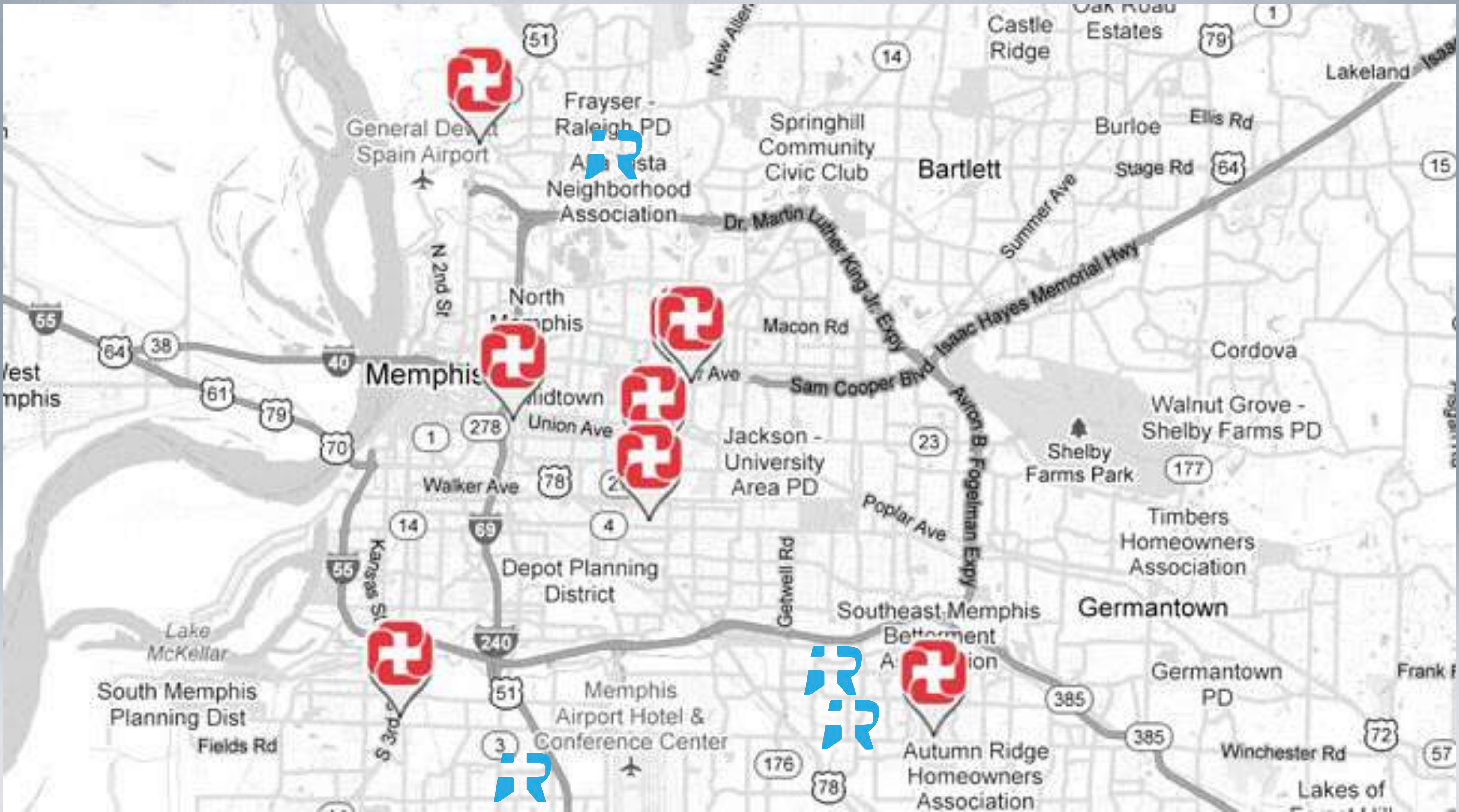






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WHAT IS “MISSIONAL MEDICINE”

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- Medicine as a calling to serve Christ and His Kingdom
- **PATIENT CARE**
 - Treat People, not symptoms
 - Wholistic - physical health, emotional/behavioral health, social health, spiritual health

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• **INFLUENCE**

- Ambassadors to the Institution of Healthcare
 - Seeing healthcare as a “Fallen System”
 - Ambassadors vs. medical professional
 - Advocate Kingdom Values:
 - Righteousness & Justice

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- “The necessary social structures of human life, are not a matter of indifference to God. ... The Powers are not intrinsically evil; they are only fallen. What sinks can be made to rise again... We can love [*healthcare and medicine*] not blindly, but critically, recalling it to its own highest self-professed ideals and identity. We can challenge institutions to live up to the vocation that is theirs by virtue of their sheer createdness.”

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*The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,
Because He anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor.
He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives,
And recovery of sight to the blind,
To set free those who are oppressed,
To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord.*

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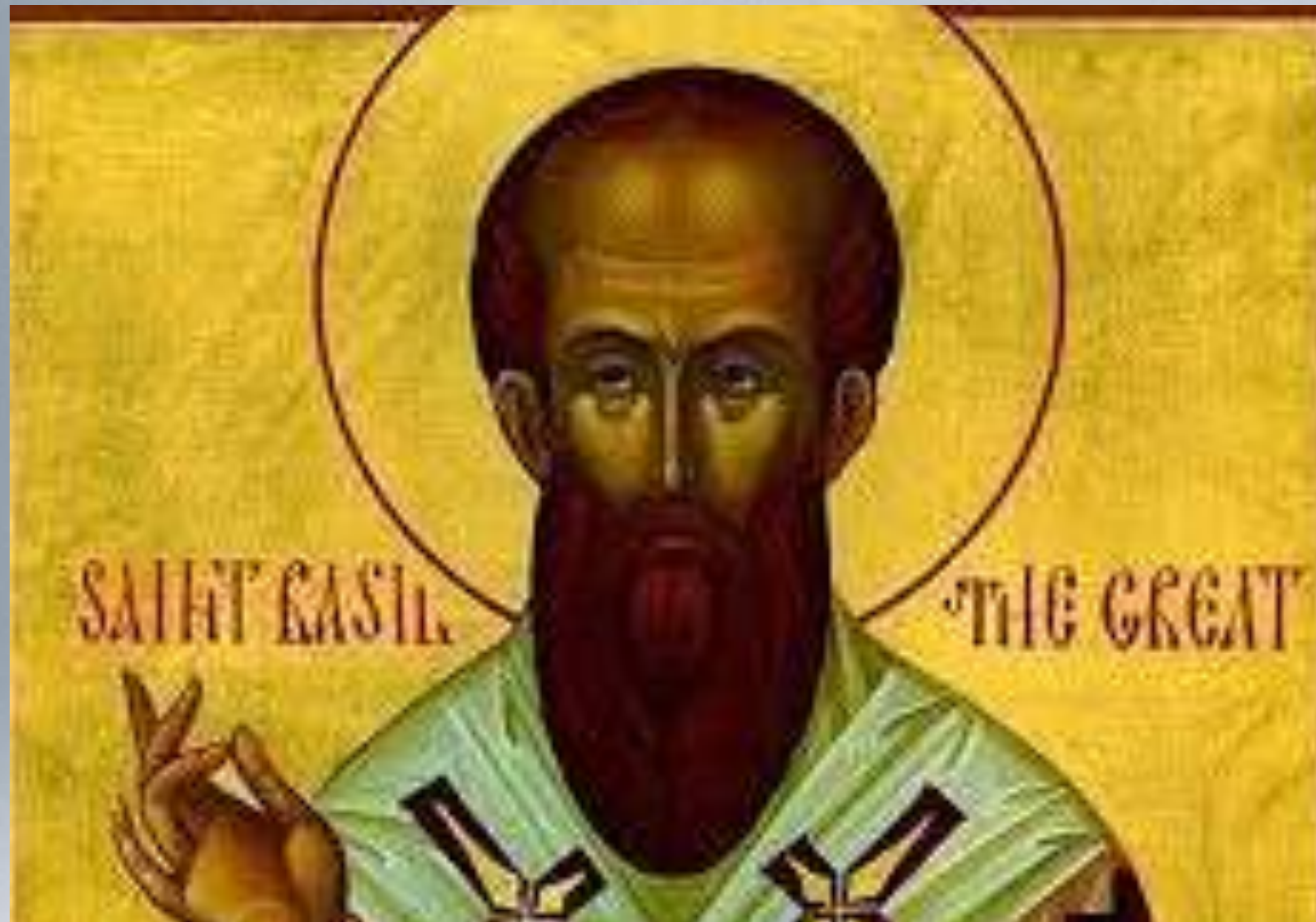
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And He called the twelve together, and gave them power and authority over all the demons and to heal diseases. And He sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to perform healing.

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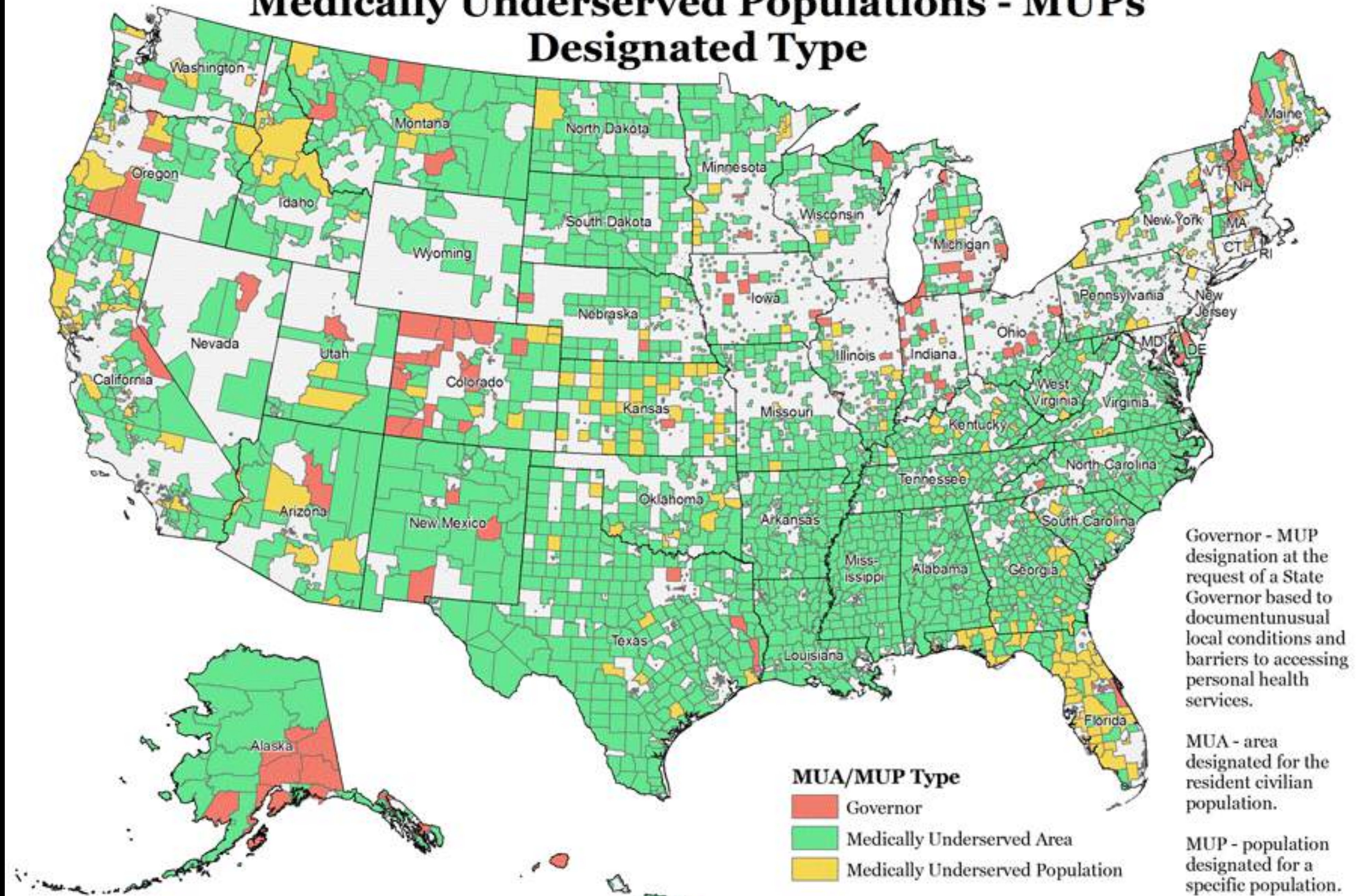
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*Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the **works** that I do, he will do also; and **greater works** than these he will do; because I go to the Father.*



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Medically Underserved Areas - MUAs and Medically Underserved Populations - MUPs Designated Type



MUA/MUP Type

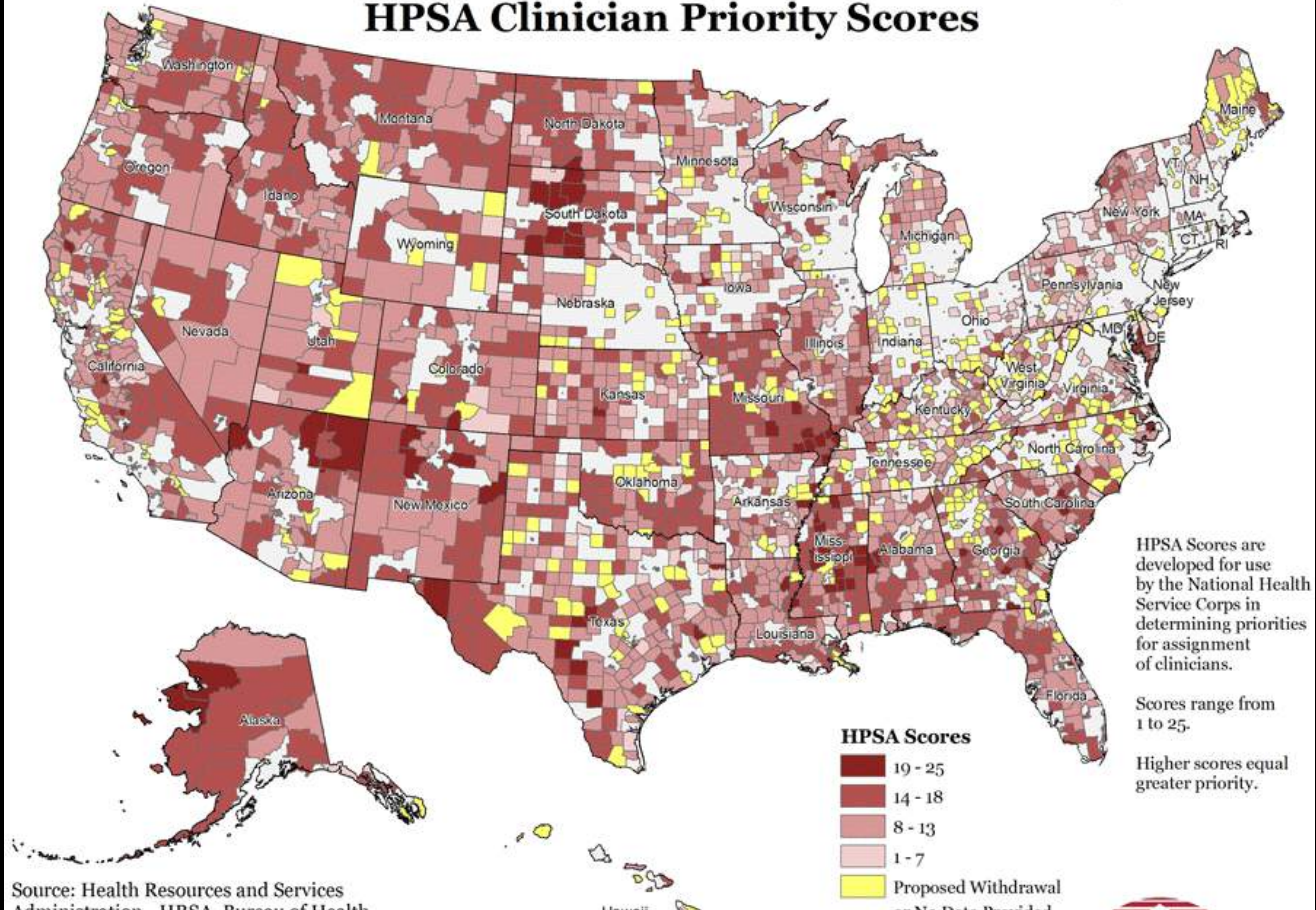
- Governor
- Medically Underserved Area
- Medically Underserved Population

Governor - MUP designation at the request of a State Governor based to document unusual local conditions and barriers to accessing personal health services.

MUA - area designated for the resident civilian population.

MUP - population designated for a specific population.

Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSA) - Primary Health HPSA Clinician Priority Scores

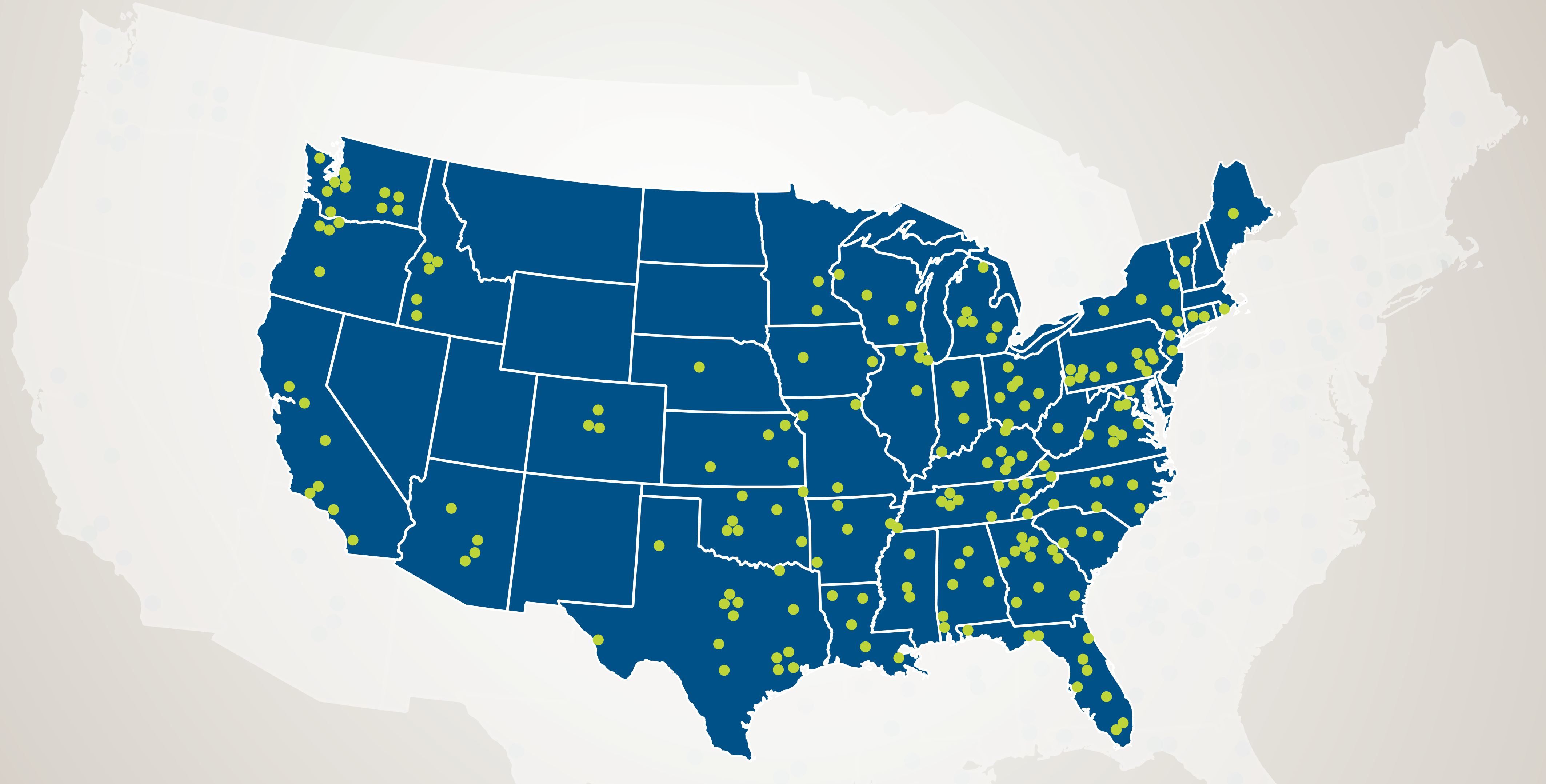


Source: Health Resources and Services Administration, HPSA, Bureau of Health



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- Why Domestic is a Great Place to Start
 1. There is a huge need in our country
 2. America is rapidly becoming an unreached people group
 3. God does not think of America as “domestic” (Acts 1:8)
 4. There is no better preparation for overseas medical mission than to work in a domestic, cross-cultural setting
 5. God planted you here (Acts 17:26-28)

BRIDGE OF CREDIBILITY

Gallup Poll:

1. Nurse
2. Physician
3. Pharmacist
4. Teacher

Healthcare professionals have an amazing level of trust built in to their relationship before they do anything to earn it or lose it.

MISSION [15] FIFTEEN Strategic Priorities for Missional Engagement

MISSION OF THIS MAP

Continuing the work of Jesus Christ to care for the needy, make disciples and establish His church among all peoples of the earth.

PURPOSE OF THIS MAP

The church of Jesus Christ is tasked with preparing ourselves, His bride, for His eminent return. This is done by advancing the gospel to all peoples of earth. This map identifies fifteen missional priorities. Some of these targets are large people groups, some are clusters of peoples and some are large regions with no access to the gospel. Our hope is that this map will be used to raise awareness, garner prayer and gather engagement teams for these fifteen strategic priorities.

MAP KEY

UNREACHED STATUS

is an index created by the Joshua Project to measure the growth of Christianity among both unreached and reached people throughout the world. Scores range from 0 to 100. Mauritania is one of 99 countries that only 0.4% of the entire population of Mauritania identify themselves with any branch or denomination of Christianity. Unreached Status can be used to measure the need for gospel witness in the country or ethnic group. Higher scores indicate a greater need for gospel resources and evangelism.

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX (HDI)

is a composite statistic measuring the expectancy of life, educational attainment, and gross national income. It is used by the United Nations to track human development in 187 of 193 countries and territories in the world. The highest possible score for the index is 1.0 and the lowest is theoretically zero. The scores of this map are calculated with countries score by 100 to create consistency with the other three measures. Country scores are the highest HDI in the world (0.95) and Niger the lowest (0.17). A score of 0.17 is the lowest score of any country in the world. The lower the score, the greater the physical need.

PERSECUTION INDEX

measures the number of reported acts committed against Christians due to their faith as well as the level of government tolerance. The Persecution Index is a rank 100, developed and maintained by a group called Open Doors, of the 80 countries that most persecute Christians. The country of North Korea is given the lowest Persecution Index score of 100. The highest score, representing the least persecution, is given a rank of 0.

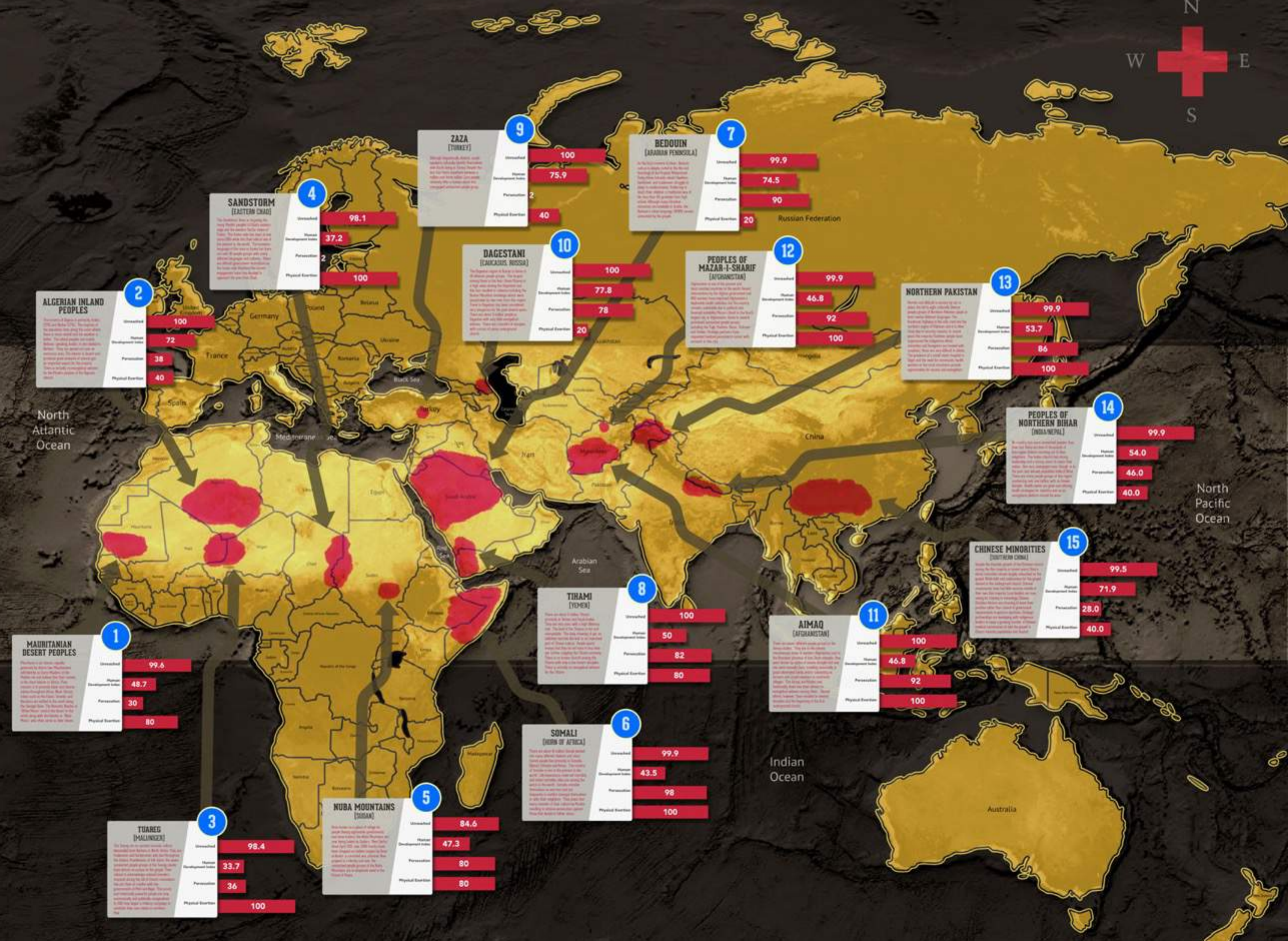
PHYSICAL EXERTION

was developed by the International Mission Board. It measures the relative difficulty of living in a country. For instance, the harshness of the terrain in Eastern Chad is one of the highest physical exertion rates, due to their position in the Sahel desert. The heat must impact the use of clothing and housing systems in addition to simply enduring the difficulty of desert life. Weather suitable for daily living are more difficult in areas with a high Physical Exertion score. These factors must be taken into consideration when developing engagement strategies.



United States for comparison

The statistics for the United States are included on this map as a means for reflecting on global inequities. In contrast to the regions and people groups highlighted by this map, eighty one percent of people in the United States identify themselves as Christian, the country has the third highest Human Development score in the world, there is no religious persecution, and access to food and housing are considered entitlements.



GREAT COMMISSION STRATEGY

MAURITANIAN DESERT PEOPLES

Mauritania is an Islamic republic governed by *sharia* law. Mauritians self-identify as Sunni Muslims of the Maliki rite and believe that their society is the most Islamic in Africa. Their mission is to promote Islam and Islamic values throughout Africa. Black African tribes such as the Fulani, Soninke, and Bambara are settled in the south along the Senegal River. The Nomadic Beydan or "White Moors" control the desert to the north along with the Haratin or "Black Moors" who often serve as their slaves.

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TUAREG (MALI/NIGER)

The Tuareg are an ancient nomadic culture descended from Berbers in North Africa. They are tradesmen and herders who live throughout the Sahara. Practitioners of folk Islam, the seven unreached people groups of the Tuareg cluster have almost no access to the gospel. Their refusal to acknowledge national borders imposed during the fall of French colonialism has put them in conflict with the governments of Mali and Niger. This proud and historically powerful people are now

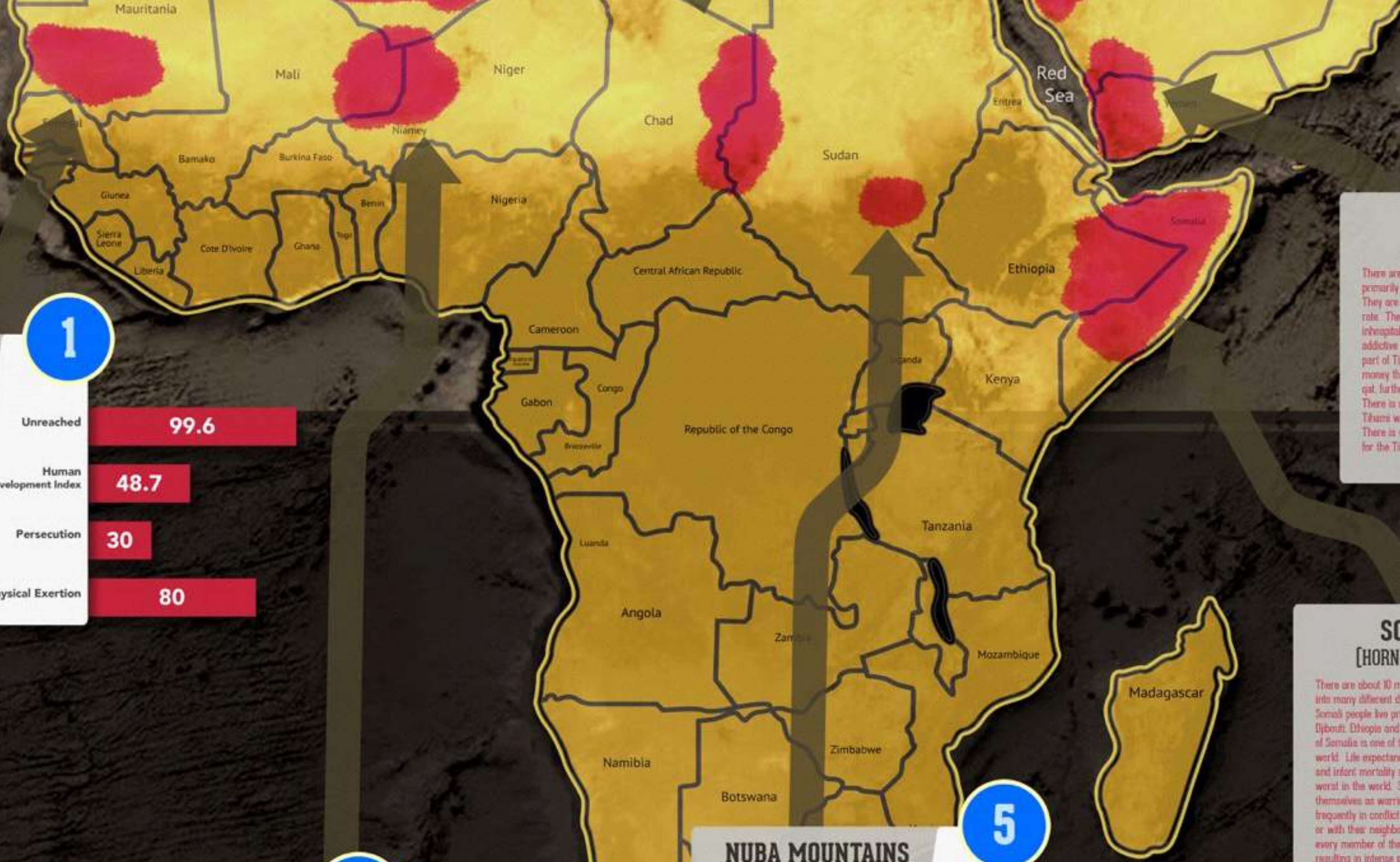
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NUBA MOUNTAINS (SUDAN)

Once known as a place of refuge for people fleeing oppressive governments and slave traders, the Nuba Mountains are now being hailed as Sudan's "Next Darfur". Since April 2012, over 2000 bombs have been dropped on civilian targets by Omar al-Bashir, a convicted war criminal. Now gripped in a bloody civil war, the unreached people groups of the Nuba Mountains are in desperate need of the Prince of Peace.

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