

## Christian Dental Society News-Brief February 2018

*"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself"*  
*Matthew 22:36-40.*

Thank you, Christian Dental Society members, for sharing your love, not just to God, but to so many in need of physical and spiritual healing.

Congratulation to our long-time CDS member, **Dr. T. Bob Davis** for being recognized internationally by the American Dental Association to receive the **2018 ADA Humanitarian Award**. This is the highest honor given by the ADA to one who exemplifies humanitarian ideals by: contributing significantly to alleviating human suffering and improving the quality of life and oral health, demonstrating significant leadership and outstanding humanitarian volunteer accomplishments, and serving as an inspiration to the dental profession. For the last 40 years, T. Bob has taken over 1,500 dental students and 500 dentists to Mexico and Central America on dental missions, not only serving the under-resourced, but mentoring the next generation of dental missionaries. T. Bob has been playing the piano at our yearly CDS Mission Banquets, and last year was one of our key speakers. With this award, T. Bob brings honor to our Lord, to the CDS mission, and to all those who sacrifice their time and resources to serve our God and others. Two additional CDS members have received this prestigious award: **Dr. Ron Lamb**, founder and President of World Dental Relief in 2012, and **Dr. Robert Kinsaul**, who was the second recipient of the award in 2008.



T. Bob at CDS Mission Banquet



T. Bob Mentoring in Guatemala

The CDS, and especially **Mark and Susan Curtis**, have been working on our website: [www.christiandental.org](http://www.christiandental.org). They have moved the website oversight away from Network Solutions to give us more flexibility, with better control, at no cost to the CDS. Members will be receiving a new CDS Informational Handout in the mail which can be found under the “About Us” section. “Amazon Smile” has been added to our site to encourage members to use it to bring income to the CDS at no cost. Check out the “Events” to see where the CDS is going this year.

In January during the Denver Rocky Mountain Meeting, **Dr. Bob and Diane Meyer**, along with **Dr. Bill Griffin** presented about dental missions for three hours to a packed room of 160. More chairs were moved in as there was so much interest in voluntarism. **Dr. Randy Sanders and Dr. Victor Bradford** manned a CDS exhibit booth. **Dr. Kunio Chan, Dr. Bob and Diane Meyer, and Mrs. Karen Wilson** (dental hygienist), ran a CDS booth at the Yankee meeting in Boston in January. **Dr. Bob and Diane Meyer and Mr. Paul Shada** will provide a CDS booth at the Chicago Midwinter meeting on February 22-24.

The CDS has ordered luxators to add to the oral surgery kits which the CDS loans out to enhance our service.

Aseptico, who makes our Task Force Deluxe rental dental operating units, has updated their units with a new, reinforced, stronger, more durable case, due in a large part to the feedback from CDS members.

The CDS is planning to meet again, have social gatherings, and hold our yearly Board Meeting at the ADA Dental Convention, which will be held in Hawaii on October 18-20, 2018. CDS will not have a designated hotel in Hawaii, but several are staying at the Aqua Aloha Surf Waikiki at 444 Kanekapoiei street. If it is not in your plans to go all the way to Hawaii, please come to the San Francisco ADA meeting which will be held on September 5-7, 2019.

### **God's Assurance:**

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing: it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast” Ephesians 2:8-9.