

Christian Dental Society News-Brief September 2020



The CDS will hold its yearly Board Meeting by Zoom this year on October 17th at 3 p.m. Central time as the ADA has gone to a virtual meeting this year. We thank Dr. Denny Scharine for setting up the site, and encourage anyone interested to attend and to contribute.

Join the CDS Zoom Board Meeting:

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CDS Board Meeting on September 6
, 2019 in San Francisco

The CDS President, Dr. David Moretz, who is also the CDS Large Equipment Manager, has been an invaluable leader and contributor to the CDS for many years and has this message:

Dear Members and Friends of the Christian Dental Society,

Greetings to you in the name of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! I pray and hope that all of you are doing well during this worldwide pandemic. These are unprecedented times with emergency declarations in almost every country on the planet restricting travel, “unnecessary” health care, and many other aspects of modern life (restaurants, gyms, gatherings, etc.).

We here at CDS started the year off extremely busy supplying so many teams we were worried about being able to service all the teams requesting instruments and equipment. Then, by the middle of March, all travel was restricted. We were concerned because we had several teams on mission in other countries. By God’s grace, they were able to get through all the restrictions and returned home safely.

Teams that had reserved instrument kits and equipment for upcoming trips dutifully cancelled their requests. Many members who rented the dental units would also add their membership dues in those funds and cover everything in one amount. Since their trips were not possible, we discovered their annual membership dues were not paid. Also,

because of the chaos surrounding each of our practices and the almost total shut down of the dental community for several weeks, CDS dues understandably took a back seat. (On a personal note – for the past 2 years I have practiced portable dentistry in nursing facilities a couple of days a week. Since March 15th I have not been allowed in the facilities as they are in quarantine for the foreseeable future.)

For the above reasons, the CDS budget has taken a hit this year. We have overhead expenses every month (as you all know in your practices) that must be covered. We value your involvement with the Christian Dental Society and recognize you have been impacted by the Covid-19 virus situation. If you are able, we respectfully ask that you cover your dues for this year so your name (and practice) can remain on the CDS website for patients looking for a Christian dentist in your town. If you have extenuating circumstances and cannot cover the dues this year, just contact Tina in the office for a waiver for this year and membership will be maintained. Any funds over and above the membership dues would be greatly appreciated and all contributions are tax deductible.

Thank you for all you do to further God's Kingdom!

Dr. David Moretz

CDS President and Large Equipment Manager

This week on *Christian Medical and Dental Associations Matters*, Dr. T. Bob Davis, a long time CDS member and supporter, joined Dr. Mike Chupp to discuss his Servant of Christ Award and years of faithful service. You can download the interview and a short Bio from the following link: <https://cmda.org/t-bob-davis-dmd-2020-servant-of-christ/>



Dr. T. Bob Davis playing the piano at the CDS Mission Banquet in San Francisco in September of 2019.

This Servant of Christ Award is a yearly award given by the CMDA honoring an outstanding servant of Christ, and for the first time was given to a dentist. The CDS is

proud of T. Bob's 40 years of leading student dental teams overseas, and for standing up for Christ and dental missions. The CDS has been blessed by his many contributions to our mission of using dentistry to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ as an outstanding mentor, teacher, and leader.

If you are a dental student, consider attending CMDA's 2020 Emerging Leaders in Dentistry Zoom Conference, to be held (twice) on Saturday October 31st. One of our CDS leaders of many student trip to Jamaica, Dr. James Carney is leading a session on dental mission trips. Registration is now open This year's conference features more than a dozen dentists from across the nation. There will be an early conference beginning at 9am EDT, and a live repeat at 12pm EDT – students are welcome to attend either, or both!

For full information and access to registration, go to [ELDC 2020](#). The conference is offered at NO CHARGE for CMDA student members, and student membership is also offered at NO CHARGE, thanks to the member dentists whose dues support CMDA activities such as this.

For students who are not yet members, here's a link: [CMDA Student Join](#)



Don't be afraid, for I am with you.

*Don't be discouraged,
for I am your God.*

*I will strengthen you and help you.
I will hold you up with my
victorious right hand.*

Isaiah 41:10