# Christian Dental Society News-Brief May 2017

Thank you all for contributing to God's Kingdom by helping others through dentistry. During the last few years, our members have either participated on or encouraged, assisted, trained or equipped over **two dental teams a day** who serve on dental missions to the glory of our Lord. CDS members mentored over **500 dental and hygiene students** overseas last year. The CDS is now **exhibiting at ten major dental conventions** each year, influencing and inspiring thousands towards dental missions. We have the **most beneficial website on dental missions,** with resources and the most complete listing of organizations needing dental personnel anywhere. The CDS has published close to a thousand copies of the **most comprehensive dental mission manual** in print. The CDS has **developed or modified portable dental operating units** over the last two years, and have **added hygiene kits and a portable x-ray** to our rental inventory recently. So, congratulations CDS members, you are part of a growing ministry impacting positively God's Kingdom through dentistry!!

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Please mark your calendars for **Friday**, **October 20**, **2017** in **Atlanta** for the ADA convention, as CDS has another spectacular Mission Banquet planned, to be held at the historic Atlanta First United Methodist Church at 360 Peachtree Street NE, within walking distance to the convention and downtown hotels. Check out the church website at <u>www.atlantafirstumc.org</u> to see the heritage, the history, and the beautiful stained glass windows.





The CDS will have **Booth # 465** on the exhibit floor on Thursday, October 19 through Saturday, October 21 at the ADA convention.

On **Thursday, October 19th at 7 PM** we are planning an informal get-togather dinner at Mary Mac's Tea House on 224 Ponce De Leon Ave NE in downtown Atlanta. All CDS members and guests are invited.



**On Friday, October 20,** the CDS will have our yearly Board Meeting from 1:30-5:00 p. m. at the Atlanta First United Methodist Church. **Members of the CDS are encouraged to attend** and see what the CDS leadership is planning.



CDS Board and Advisory Council

### **Dental Conferences in 2017:**

The CDS has exhibited recently at the Hinman dental meeting in Atlanta on March 23-25 and sends a special thanks to members **Dr. Randy Sanders**, a CDS Board Member and **Dr. Dave Moretz**, our President-Elect who manned the booth. **Dr. Bob** (CDS Executive Director) **and Diane Meyer** (Advisory Council Member) and CDS Member **Dr. Andrew Wall** exhibited at the Oregon meeting on April 6-8. **Dr. Kathy Barlow and Dr. Bob Liebler**, CDS Board Members, will hold a CDS booth at the Florida meeting on June 22-24. The CDS will also exhibit at the California Dental Meeting in **San Francisco, August 24-26**, and at the Ohio Dental Meeting in **Columbus, September 14-16.** The CDS is connecting with hundreds of dental mission-minded individuals in the exhibit halls, and the booths have been a significant way to impact others in our profession.



CDS Booth in Oregon, Dr. Andrew Walls (center)

# **Advertise Dental Mission Trips and Organizations:**

If you are **planning a dental mission trip** and need more participants, please access the CDS website, <u>www.christiandental.org</u> and go to the "Member Area" where you can easily fill out and submit a mission trip opportunity request for help which will go out to all CDS members.

If you know of **Christian dental organizations in the USA or Internationally** who need dental volunteers, enter them on our website. Go to "View Opportunities Christian organizations requesting dental personnel" and click either "USA Opportunities" or "International Opportunities," fill out the simple form and submit.

# Membership:

The **Curtis Group** and our CDS secretary, **Mrs. Tina Wendel** are striving to assure all CDS **membership information is correct** on our website directory. Please take a moment to check your public and private membership data. If not correct or complete, click on the "Update" of the directory section. Our

**membership has grown to over 500** and God continues to bless CDS. Thank you for your support.

If you have not rejoined for 2017 yet, the CDS now has the option for automatic renewal either through our dues renewal letter or on the CDS website under "**Automatic Renewal**."

### Fund Raising Opportunity:

Please help CDS in a **wonderful financial opportunity** which does not cost anything, but can significantly help CDS financially. Instead of going directly to <u>www.amazon.com</u> to shop, go to <u>www.smile.amazoncom</u>. Just below the merchandise search box there is an option to choose a charity designation. Please choose the "Christian Dental Society—Sumner, IA" and the AmazonSmile foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the CDS. Tell your patients and friends as the potential is amazing! Our CDS President, **Dr. Denny Scharine** says, "This is an exciting way to further the Kingdom without asking for specific donations."

"... let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in Heaven." Matthew 5:16