## Christian Dental Society News-Brief September 2018

"In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps." 1 Peter 5:6-7

We hope to see many of you in Hawaii. The CDS is planning to meet, 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.

The CDS does 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, September 5-7, 2019. The ADA has upgraded, at no cost, the CDS booth space so we are now facing the entrance (booth # 1051).

Our Board meeting will be held at **Kam Nam Korean United Methodist Church** located just a few blocks from the convention center at 1650 Kalakaua Avenue on **Friday afternoon from 2-4:30 pm**. Anyone is allowed to attend and we encourage interested members to participate. Board and Advisory Council members not attending will be able to join via a conference call which has been set up by the Curtis Group.

An evening social/dinner at a local restaurant is being planned following the meeting on Friday evening and also on Saturday evening. Times and locations to be determined and information will be available at the **CDS booth number 1051**.

## The CDS website has added an easy-to-see button to our homepage titled, "Find a Christian Dentist in your Area."

If you Google "Christian Dentist," the first organization that shows on the web is the Christian Dental Society. With one click, potential patients can open our website and easily access the CDS website public directory and find a CDS member. The button makes it simpler for patients to connect with CDS dentists.

CDS dentists, **please ensure your public website and contact information is current on the CDS website.** Click on the "Members Area" and enter our CDS pass code "Jesus" then click on the "Update your personal data." This is a valuable CDS member benefit which helps connect patients looking for a Christian dentist and will help CDS members find new patients.

We have added a listing of past **CDS Presidents** to our "About US" section of the webpage. This website section also has our past Newsletters and News-Briefs as well as photos of our CDS officers.

We have added a listing of past **Dr. Ron Lamb Mission Service Awardees** under the "Members Area" of our website and would welcome nominations for the Ron Lamb Award for next year.

We have updated our "**Upcoming Events**" section of our website and are planning on exhibiting at 13 major dental conventions next year, so plan to stop by the CDS exhibit booth and connect with other CDS members.

## The Newly Developed, Portable, Battery-Operated, Dental Unit



**Dr. Gayle Cheatwood** and numerous others have been developing a light-weight (under 50 pounds), battery-operated portable dental unit and have run it through vigorous tests for the last several years. This exceptional dental unit is now mission worthy, and the CDS has purchased two to be loaned out for mission trips.

This new unit is self-contained, mounted in a durable Pelican rolling case, and runs off a car battery or with an adapter, can function on 110 or 220 Volts. It has better suction than the current Aseptico units, with an air/water syringe, high and low speed, air driven, 4-hole handpiece hoses, and an air connection for sandblasting use. It also comes with a USB port for recharging batteries.

If interested in renting this unit please contact the CDS office.

## **Best Practices Workshop Draft for Dental Missions:**

On May 11, 2018 the American Dental Association, the International College of Dentists and the Academy of Dentistry International hosted the first "International Volunteer Project Workshop" to explore the challenges and to help best practices for dental volunteerism. Numerous Christian Dental Society Members participated and helped lead the discussion. The workshop draft outcomes have been consolidated by Dr. Frank Serio and are available by *clicking here*. http://christiandental.org/ADAF-WPs-May2018.pdf

"Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe." Philippians 2:14-15