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With Thanksgiving rapidly approaching let us remember:

"In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." 1 Thessalonians 5:18

And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful." Colossians 3:15

The CDS supported the Bahaman Dental Society for Hurricane Dorian dental disaster relief efforts to benefit displaced children from Oct. 25-28 in Nassau, Bahamas. The CDS worked alongside Remote Area Dental, International Medical Relief, the National Dental Association, the ADA Foundation, and Henry Schein in setting up a 27-chair portable dental clinic in the Church of God of Prophecy. The CDS contributed 20 dental operating units, 22 dental stools, 12 dental chairs, two x-ray units, restorative instruments and supplies for eight dentists, and a hygiene kit for the project.



From Left to Right are Dr. Joy Pitstock (Bahaman dental leader) and the CDS team members, Dr. Dave McDonald and his dental son, Dr. Mike, Dr. Bob

Meyer, Dr. Ron Palmer, hygienist Mrs. Debbie Bailey, and Mrs. Diane Meyer in front of the joint venture banner (notice the CDS logo bottom center).



Bahaman Disaster Relief Portable Dental Clinic

Over 550 Bahamans affected by hurricane Dorian were treated during the four-day clinic and God was praised throughout the event. This is the largest, dental, disaster relief, portable clinic involving seven different dental organizations that the CDS has ever participated with. We thank God for the many connections towards missions and a dynamic, Godly outreach achieved. Henry Schein paid for many of the supplies and for shipping 32 bags of CDS supplies (thanks go out to Dr. Dave Moretz, our equipment manager) to Florida, a charter plane arranged by International Medical Relief to fly to the Bahamas, and the CDS rental fee for this amazing project. All the CDS items arrived safely and have been returned. Praise the Lord!



Charter Plane carrying CDS and IMR equipment to the Bahamas



CDS and IMR equipment on truck ready for transport to the church

Dr. Gayle and Nita Cheatwood recently held a portable, dental training mission for two dentists, two hygienists, and two assistants using five portable units for a men's home in Holtville, California. If interested in a training mission, contact Dr. Gayle Cheatwood at 760-356-4190 or e-mail at gacdds@prodigy.net.



Portable dental mission training with Dr. Gayle and Nita Cheatwood

Dr. Anthony and Dr. Naomi Wong, the CDS Ron Lamb Missionary Award winners for 2019 just returned from a dental/medical mission to treat Iraqi refugees in camps near Zakho.



Dr. Anthony and Dr. Naomi Wong working on patients in Iraq

Mrs. Diane Meyer, a CDS Advisory Council member, is awaiting Liberty University's Institutional Review Board approval to begin research on her doctoral dissertation entitled, "Recruitment Considerations for Christian, Dental, Short-Term Missions Relating to the Holistic Development of Dentists." The CDS Board approved the research survey which will be e-mailed shortly to CDS, CMDA, and other Christian dentists in an attempt to quantify the benefits and the detractors of dental mission work to help in dental mission recruitment.

The next CDS exhibit booth showing will be at the Greater New York Dental meeting on December 1-4. Please connect with us if you are there or at any of the other events listed under CDS Upcoming Events on our website: www.christiandental.org.

The CDS is busy serving people with their dental needs which is opening doors to the Gospel message of Jesus Christ around the world. Keep the CDS in prayer as God is using us in amazing ways to serve His Kingdom.

"Now thanks be unto God, which always causes us to triumph in Christ, and makes manifest the Savior of His knowledge by us in every place." 2 Corinthians 2:14