Christian Dental Society News-Brief
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"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31

The CDS welcomes Dr. Jonathan Spenn to the CDS Board of Directors with a unanimous vote of confidence from our membership. John works with I-Tec, training indigenous people around the world, and recently spoke at the AGD conference on "The Ten Commandments of Tooth Extractions."



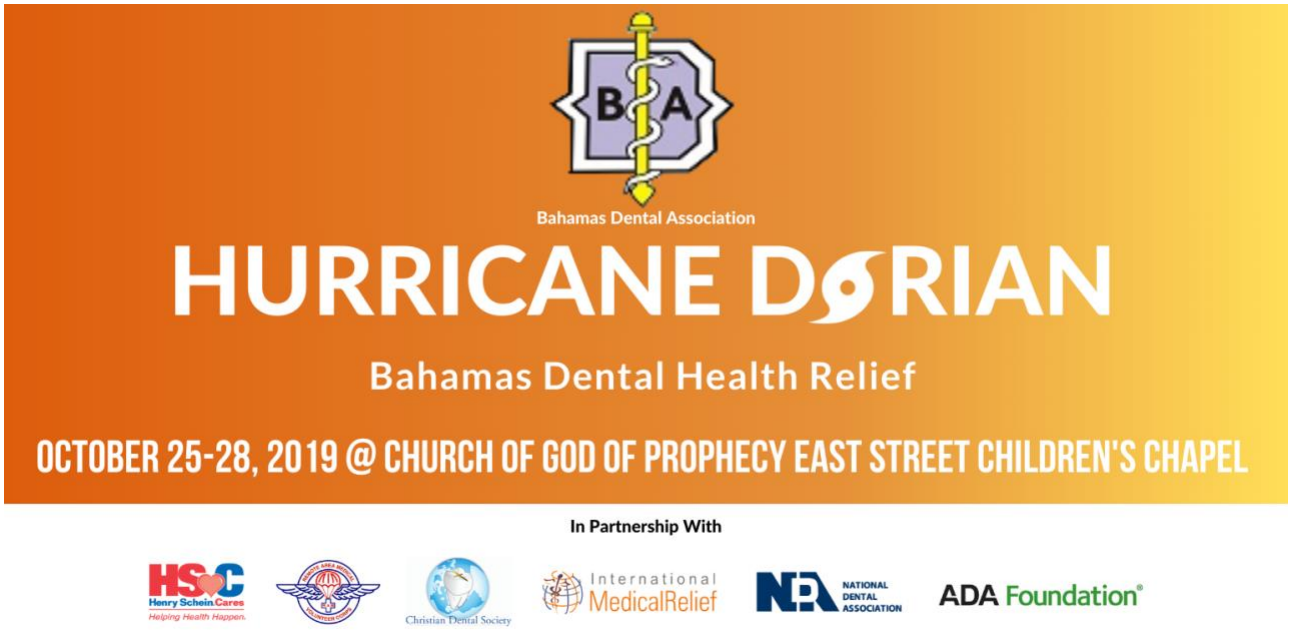
Dr. Johnathan Spenn training locals with I-Tec in Kenya

The CDS office and Tina Wendell, our executive assistant, are moving on Oct 25, 2019, a mile down the street to an old bank building closer to downtown Sumner at 106 West 1st Street. The good news is that nothing changes as far as the CDS phone number, e-mail, and mailing address.

Dr. Bob Meyer and Diane Meyer recently published an article in the Journal of Global Oral Health titled, "Organization and Leadership Considerations of Dental, Short-term, Mission Trips." You can access the article by going to: https://jglobaloralhealth.org/npr/organization-and-leadership-considerations-of-dental-short-term-mission-trips/

The CDS is working more closely with the Christian Medical and Dental Associations, thanks in large part to Dr. Bill "Griff" Griffin, a CDS Past-President and Board Member of the CDS who is now the CMDA VP of Dental Ministries. Dr. Griff interviewed Dr. Bob Meyer recently, concerning short-term, dental ministry, which was included in the CMDA Dental Digest. This 17-minute interview can be accessed by going to: http://media.cmda.org/DentalSoundbytes/ds1.mp3

The CDS is currently supporting Hurricane Dorian dental disaster relief efforts to benefit displaced children from Oct. 25-28 in Nassau, Bahamas. The CDS is providing much-needed, dental equipment and expertise in corroboration with multiple, dental organizations who are cooperating with the Bahaman Dental Society and the Church of God of Prophecy. This is the first time any of these organizations have been unified, in such a large scale, for a dental, disaster relief mission, and may God bless everyone's efforts. More information will be sent with November's News-brief. See the banner below and note the CDS logo.



Dr. T. Bob Davis continues to work on the 21-chair dental clinic in San Raymundo, Guatemala to help train American and Guatemalan dental/hygiene students and to take care of the under-served in Jesus' name. The clinic is scheduled to be operational for the next student trip scheduled for March 14-21, 2020. If interested in participating as a student, mentor, or helper, please look up the website: www.GuatemalanSmiles.com or contact Dr. Stephen Sperry at 903-399-1995.

Interested in working in a fully-equipped, dental clinic helping the poor and sharing God's love? For an outstanding opportunity, combining professional gratification with personal, family recreation and enjoyment, see the CDS e-mail sent out on October 1, 2019 or call either Steve Kohl at 910-228-7303 or Dr. Al Warren at 772-285-0791.

Diane Meyer, a CDS Advisory Council member, is awaiting Liberty University's Internal 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 at a later date to CDS members and other Christian dentists in an attempt to quantify the

benefits of and the detractors hindering dental mission work to help in dental mission recruitment.

CDS members Dr. Brian McDonald, Dr. Mike McDonald, Dr. T. Bob Davis and Janis Davis, and Dr. Bob Meyer and Diane Meyer recently participated on a CDS Volunteer table at the Southwest Dental Conference in Dallas, Texas to share about the CDS and dental missions. The next CDS exhibit booth showing will be at the Greater New York Dental meeting from Nov. 29-Dec. 2. 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 encourages, educates, and equips dental missions worldwide, furthering of the Gospel of Jesus, and we thank all of our members for serving.

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1