

# NASDAD NEWS



WINTER 2014

NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION OF  
SEVENTH-DAY  
ADVENTIST DENTISTS

## IN RETROSPECT... 71ST ANNUAL CONVENTION

Our goal of being "Awesome" was a success! The 2014 convention was full of learning, praising, re-connecting, and enjoying. Everyone who was there and participated was blessed from the energy that was present. San Diego proved to be just as good as its advertised in providing wonderful weather and surroundings at the Kona Kai Resort. Thank you to all who attended and a special thanks to Pastor Larry McGill for his wonderful message for Sabbath, to Dr. Kavit Shaw for his amazing CE presentation which made us think big picture in deciding how and when to utilize implants to restore teeth. Also Dr. Matt Hubbard who brought the energy in Building your "A" team and keeping YOU, your most valuable asset, productive. Also thank you to Katie and Sharon for greasing the wheels and making it all come together.



Kavit Shah



Matt Hubbard

The weekend was made especially unique and enjoyable to the large presence of students from Loma Linda University School of Dentistry. Over 50 students made time in their schedule to participate in the activities of the weekend. On Friday, Dr. Landon Libby, NASDAD President, had arranged for a round-table style discussion for the students. Top-



ics for discussion included but weren't limited to: dental hygiene, how to purchase a practice, how to market a practice, how to use social media marketing, to associate vs purchasing an office. In addition, a dental CPA was included in this and was able to talk about managing practices accounting, payroll, tax info, etc. A huge THANK YOU to Paul Luczynski, DDS, Weston Spencer, DDS, Jim Libby, DDS, Wes Read, CPA, Brian Evans,

DDS, Nichole Libby, RDH, and Landon Libby, DDS for offering your knowledge and time to the students as they prepare for a career in the dental profession.



Kyim Mung, LLUSD c/o 2017, graciously agreed to coordinate the music for the entire weekend. She coordinated a nice group of students to lead out

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in song service and to provide special music for the enjoyment of the entire group. Her contribution and that of the musicians resulted in one of the most memorable and enjoyable conventions in recent memory.



Mel Bersaba, Ashlee Sumilat, Miranda Kore, Kyim Mung

We were lucky to have a few kids in need of a Sabbath School so Sharon Boggs organized a craft, they sang songs, and enjoyed a nice morning Sabbath School program. The adults, during



Sabbath School, enjoyed a presentation about a mission trip from LLUSD to Ethiopia and we learned about the impact an opportunity to serve others can have on the life of a dental student. In addition, we heard from a

Jed de la Paz and Jeffery Pascal



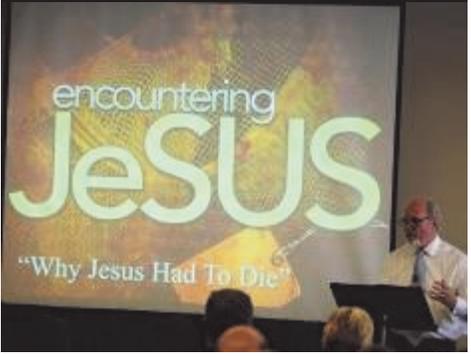
Sarah Gill

Pakistani lady dentist about what it is like to live and practice in a difficult place like Pakistan. We saw first hand, in pictures, how precarious life can be through the eyes of a Christian. During Sabbath School, the Year Around Mission Money offering was collected which resulted in \$8, 905.75 and pledges of an addition \$2700! Another offering of \$629 was collected for the Mitchell Fund, which is to be used to help outgoing Deferred Mission Appointees (DMA) as they prepare for mission service overseas, during the church service. The generosity of each person who supported these offerings is appreciated so very much.



Pastor Larry McGill, pastor of La Mesa Adventist Community Church, featured the joy of encountering Jesus in our lives. Speaking both Friday evening and Sabbath morning, Pastor McGill recounted the story of Joseph and his growth and transformation. Rather than revenge, Joseph was generous and loving with his brothers. He was the visual picture of Jesus in the OT. Joseph's story is an illustration of abundant love and grace. Sabbath morning continued building the theme highlighting that we humans are included in the circle of God's life. There is never a moment in eternity when God wanted to be without us. We were created not for misery but to have life in abundance. Pastor McGill's message stimulated thought on how living a life in abundance is manifested in everything we do. As we understand this, we recognize that giving back blesses those we serve and us as well.

Pr. Larry McGill



On Thursday, 7 golfers hit the course and spent a morning enjoying the company of each other while enjoying the beautiful weather afforded in a place like San Diego. The big winners for the day were:

- Ken McGill: Lowest score
- Kavit Shah: Longest drive
- Roselyn Guenin: Closest to pin

**Can't wait to see everyone next year at the 72nd Convention in Georgetown. It's lining up to be just as powerful as this past meeting!**

**Cheers! Landon**



Kenneth McGill, Roslyn Guenin, Kavit Shah



Kavit Shah, Christian Guenin, Dennis Starkey, Roslyn Guenin, Landon Libby, David Hernandez, Kenneth McGill



Ron Forde, Dennis Starkey, Kenneth McGill



Kavit Shah and Christian Guenin



Katie Layon and Sharon Boggs



Cara Jones and Christina Jeong

# NASDAD ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

## October 9, 2014

The 2014 annual board meeting in the beautiful Kona Kai Resort and Marina on Shelter Island in San Diego, CA was called to order by President Landon Libby, DDS. Dr. Libby welcomed all present and offered prayer inviting God's presence and guidance in the deliberations and actions taken.

Introduction of board members present were Per Houmann, Bill Heisler, Ken W. Pierson, Ken D. Pierson, Keith Corbett, and Robert Stacey. Present by phone was Doyle Nick. Invitees included James Libby, DDS and Pam Libby. Also present were NASDAD Executive Assistant Katie Layon and Treasurer Sharon Boggs. Board members present came from as far afield as Saipan, Canada and the east coast of the US.

### February Minutes

Minutes of the Feb. 7, 2014 board meeting were reviewed and approved.

### Financial Report

Treasurer Sharron Boggs presented the Financial Report which showed that Fiscal Year 2013 closed with an operating surplus of \$35,912.60 and that total expenses were under budget by \$8,278.39. The year-to-date spending is under budget by \$1,880.14. It is expected that significant dues and unrestricted giving will increase income by Dec. 31, 2014 so that there will again be a good surplus in revenue/expenses. After review and discussion, the Treasurer's Report was approved.

### YAMM Report

In Year Around Mission Money (YAMM) the year-to-date giving (including the 2013 meeting offering) shows beginning balance of \$99,919.41. Having distributed \$32,322.74 in voted disbursements, there was a remaining balance at Sept. 30, 2014 of \$67,596.67. Undistributed, voted funds from 2013 total \$19,350.00. Total request for funds for this year come to \$84,550. These requests, as always, will be funded as the requests become actual needs and funds are available. After discussion the YAMM Fund report and requests were approved.

### Membership Report

Katie Layon presented the Membership Report which showed annual Paid Membership at 244 with the expectation of additional members by year end. There is already an increase in Student members of 40 over last year with the total standing at 68. Mission membership is down significantly because mission dentist must now request membership. Student and Mission memberships are complimentary.

### Nominating Committee

Doyle Nick presented the Nominating Committee report showing seven expiring board seats expiring in December 2014. It was recommended to renew board membership to 2-year term, ending in December 2016 - Per Houmann, Kris Wilkins and Vincent Drouin.

The following individuals were presented as replacement board members:

Full two year term, ending December 2016 - James Libby, Mueni Mutinga, Clyde Roggenkamp and Gary Kerstetter.

With the exception of Jim Libby who was present and agreed to serve, all others are subject to agreement to serve. The report was accepted.

### World Health Dental Organization Update

Several aspects of NASDAD's relationship to, and involvement with the Maasai Dental Clinic and its operating board, the World Health Dental Organization (WHDO), were discussed at length. The discussion centered on the following: Conflicts for students with their academic program and ability to finish dental school and graduate on time, Conflicts between NASDAD's/School of Dentistry's/Loma Linda University's, SDA churches view of mission service and that of the leadership of the WHDO. The original reason/rational for NASDAD's involvement in the Maasai Dental Clinic focused on 1. Provision for NASDAD members to provide short term mission dental service 2. Student involvement in learning and practicing dental procedures under direct supervision in a unique setting, and 3. The provision of quality dental care for the local population. After much discussion it was voted to appoint an ad hoc committee to study the above aspects bringing a final report and recommendation to the February 9, 2015 NASDAD board meeting. The members appointed to that committee are James Libby, Kenneth W. Pierson, Landon Libby, Doyle Nick and Clyde Roggenkamp.

### 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention, Oct 30-Nov 2, 2015

The final action of the day was to accept the recommendation that the Fall 2015 Annual meeting be held Oct. 30-Nov 2, 2015 at the Washington Marriott Georgetown Hotel in Washington, D.C.

There being no new or old business, the meeting was adjourned.

# Year Around Mission Money IN ACTION

Thank you for your donations to the YAMM fund! Each year NASDAD makes a contribution to the NASDAD Service Learning endowment fund at LLU School of Dentistry. The interest from this endowment fund is used to financially assist students who participate in a Service Learning Mission trip. These future dentists and dental hygienists often return from a trip with greater insight into themselves, God, and service to others. In addition, often they are re-inspired as to reasons why they chose a career in dentistry.

**Please enjoy these Thank You letters and photos from two students who went to Roatan, Honduras.**

## Roatan, Honduras

By Haley Mohn, LLU DH, Class of 2015

Dear NASDAD,

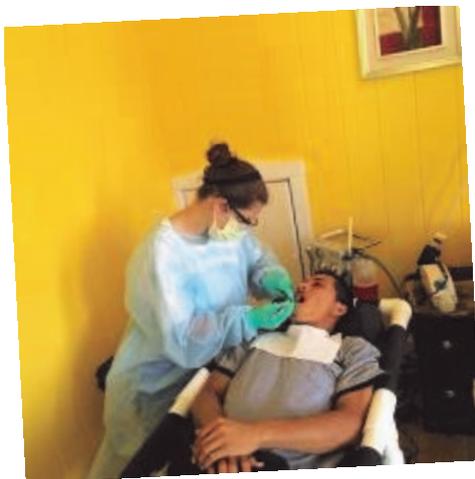
Thank you so much for your contribution to the Loma Linda School of Dentistry Service Learning program. Because of your generosity, I was able to go on an incredible trip which caused me to fall in love with dental missions. Over summer break, I went on an interdisciplinary missions trip to Roatan, Honduras with LLUSD and Calimesa SDA church. Our team consisted of three sub-teams: dental, medical, and community outreach. Our clinic was open from on Monday – Thursday from 8-5 (ish). Patients would line up outside and begin with a screening of their overall health, getting their vitals taken, and having their eye sight checked. After going through the medical section, the patients then had their mouth screened by Dr. Morrow, who asked them if they had any dental pain. He used the Nomad system to actually be able to take intraoral radiographs, which was helpful for him to diagnose and be able to determine which teeth to pull and which would

benefit from endo treatment. After all these screenings, THEN patients could at last come to hygiene for prophys.

I was warned about the immense amount of calculus I would see, but we actually didn't see much.

Many of the patients had been to the clinic in the past and were keeping up on their oral health. With previous prophys, dental work and OHI, it was clear that this clinic was making a lasting impact on the community. It is not just a one time benefit. Because of the improved oral health and the lack of calculus, we were able to do true, decently thorough prophys instead of just gross debridement which was very rewarding. Our clinic set up

was great, we had amazing chairs made by Dr. Hoffer, air-water-and suction units, and our cavi-trons. We were able to work quite efficiently, seeing about 4 patients an hour.





As I mentioned before, the missions team consisted of three sub teams: dental, medical, and community outreach. The dental team cleaned, extracted, and restored teeth, The medical team helped with a variety of physical needs including pregnancy testing and distributing eye glasses. The community outreach team worked on the church, planted a garden and put on a VBS for the local kids. I loved this because, as Loma Linda proclaims their mission to be “To make man whole”, I believed that all these different teams helped to truly address the needs each patient as a whole. We cared for their teeth, their systemic health and eye sight, and various things in their community. I felt that this mission trip definitely fulfilled the mission statement of Loma Linda and I was so blessed and exhilarated to be a part of it.

I expected to enjoy this trip, but I did not anticipate falling in love with dental missions the way I did. I have been on several mission trips before, but none like this. I so loved being able to use my new skills for Christ in such a tangible and obvious way. I am more passionate about dentistry than ever before. I look forward to doing more dental missions in the future. I prayed that God would help me to capture this new passion and love and take it back to my work in clinic at LLUSD and later when I join the work place. Thank you again for the role your financial support played in getting me to Honduras.

God bless,  
Haley Mohn

## Roatan, Honduras

By Kelsey Nanchy, LLU DH, Class of 2015

Dear NASDAD,

Thank you so much for your generous donation to make my trip to Roatan, Honduras possible. Thanks to you many lives in Roatan were touched as well as the lives of the missionaries on the trip.

Our work began at 8 am on Monday morning. Patients were prescreened and their dental needs were evaluated by Dr. Morrow. The patient's name and procedure required was then written down on a card and placed into either the dental pile or hygiene pile. We were able to see quite a few



patients on our first day and I felt more exhausted than I have ever been but the experience was exhilarating. We had two sometimes three hygiene chairs going at one time with two hygiene students and two hygienists. We allotted 30 min per patient and found that to be manageable since some patients would require shorter appointments allowing us to spend more time on patients with tougher cases. I found that we averaged ten patients a piece and by the end of the four days we saw around 160 patients. When we weren't working or assisting each

other we were able to give injections for the dental students. We were able to learn a lot and gather some incredible experiences. After the first day we ironed out a few details to make the rest of the clinic days run more smoothly, allowing us to see more patients and be more efficient. By the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> day we were all exhausted but fulfilled with the work that we were able to provide to the people of Roatan.

This trip definitely opened my eyes to how people live outside of the United States. Being a California native I have been incredibly blessed to never have experienced many hardships. I have seen poverty in Los Angeles but that did not compare to what I saw in Roatan. How these people live their life was really inspirational to see because they have so much faith despite having very little. It was so awesome to look around and see everyone from our team doing their part to help.

One thing that I noticed was that the patients in Roatan had relatively clean teeth. It was remarkable to look at the patient's health passport and see that they had been there before. Patients were very enthusiastic and grateful for the work that we were able to provide them and were looking forward to coming back next year. Being able to work on the kids was really heartwarming. They are so trusting and were so excited to have their teeth cleaned. I noticed that people in Roatan never complained. They were so willing to comply with whatever we needed so that they could receive the dental care



being provided. It was amazing to see all the different types of services we could provide in less than ideal conditions. To see endo being done rather than just extracting teeth was such a blessing.

I even witnessed a surgery provided to a woman that has been in pain for a year. The fact that something so simple could be done to relieve this woman's pain was incredible. She was so appreciative and thankful to our entire team and the dental team had the opportunity to work on her entire family's teeth and even share the Sabbath with them.

To be able to learn from all of the dental professionals on the trip was such an amazing blessing. To work in this environment was such a great experience and one that I'll treasure for the rest of my life. I have made so many amazing memories in Roatan and pray that this trip will be able to continue for many years to come. I recommend this trip to my fellow classmates for future dates. I am so blessed that I got to go on this trip and feel that everyone should experience a mission trip at least once in their life

Thank you again for all of your help and generosity!

Sincerely,  
Kelsey Nanchy

# PHOTOBOOTH FUN!!

LLUSD student, Steven Debulgado, brought his photography equipment and set up a photo booth immediately following the Saturday evening banquet. I think you'll all agree the photo booth set the mood for a festive evening. Our LLUSD students are multitalented and Steven's photography skills are only one example.

We'd like to invite you to view all of the pictures and download your favorite photos.

Photo Booth Pictures:

**[https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B1\\_qxwfsCr2cdnhXNndERE1IZVk&usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B1_qxwfsCr2cdnhXNndERE1IZVk&usp=sharing)**

If you download photos, may we ask that you consider a donation to the STUDENT SPONSORSHIP FUND via the NASDAD website (<http://nasdad.org/online-giving/>)? The donations that were previously donated to this fund made it possible for Steven and 49 other students to attend and participate in the 71<sup>st</sup> Convention in San Diego!! Any future donations will be used to encourage and facilitate student participation.

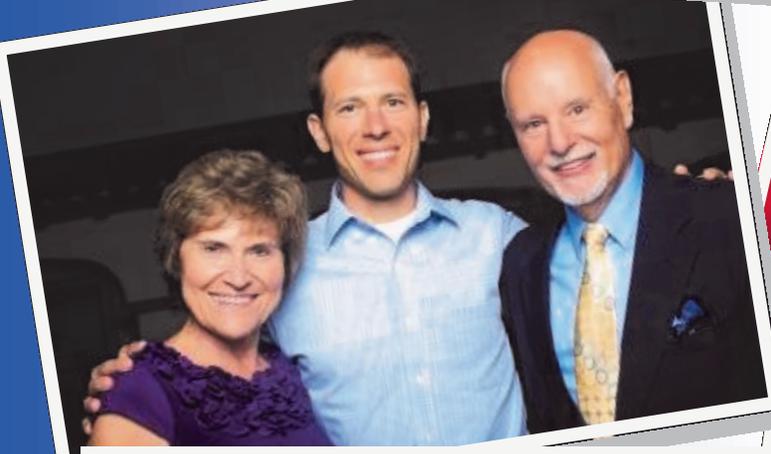
There is no obligation to make a donation and we only ask you to consider it. Please enjoy the photos/files no matter if you donate or not!

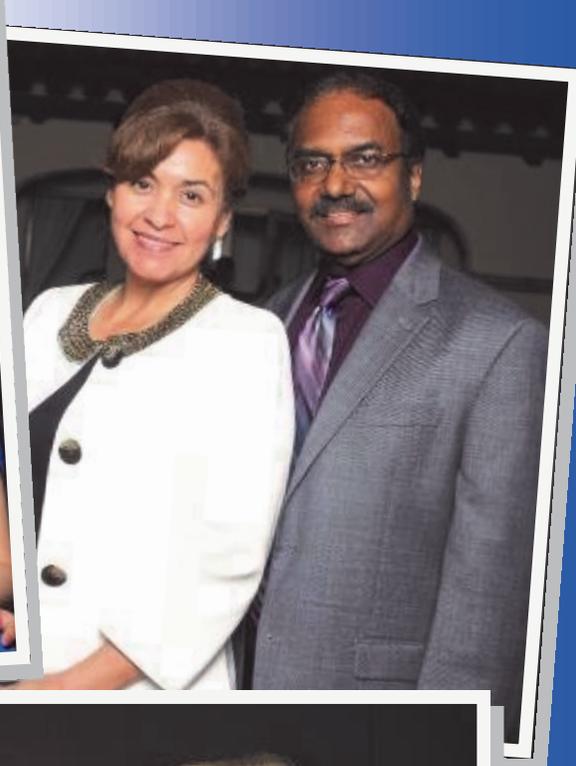
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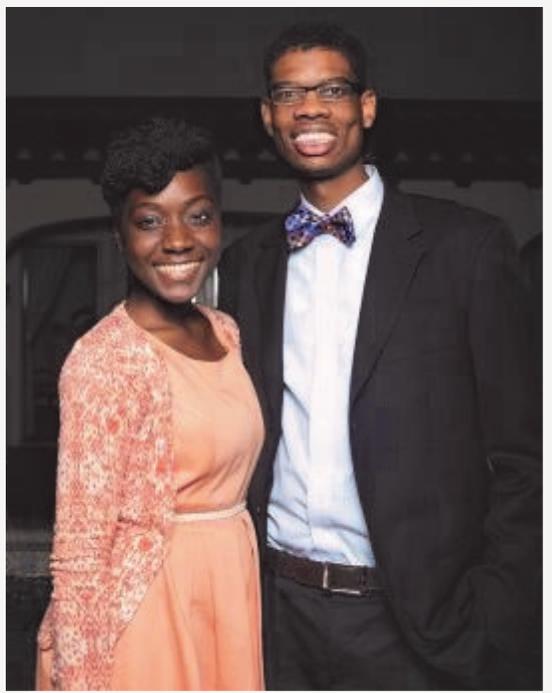
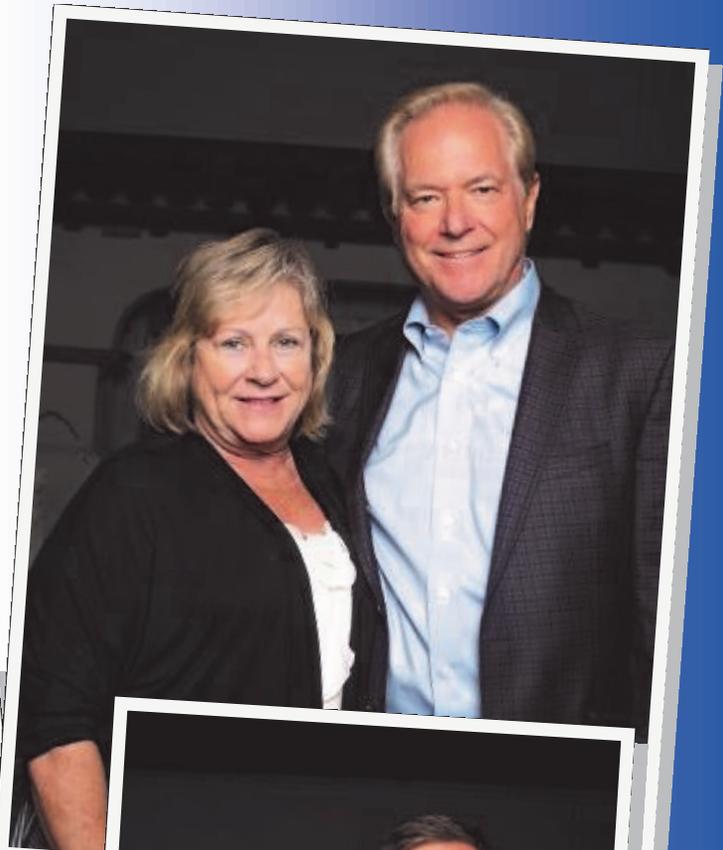
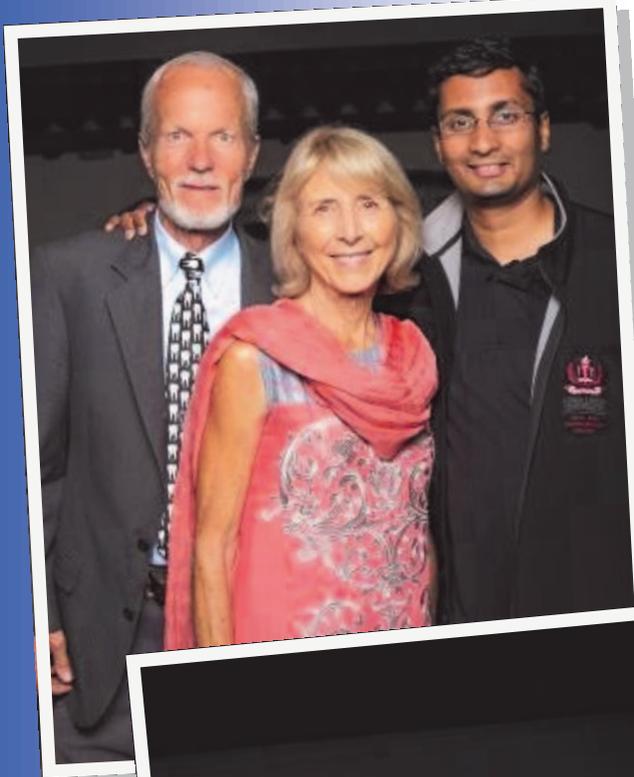
Landon Libby, DDS  
NASDAD President

**Steven's Photography Facebook Page:**

**<https://www.facebook.com/stevendebulgadophotography>**











# Events in 2015

## Spend Christmas with Maranatha!

*December 23, 2014 – January 4, 2015*

NEEDED: 1 Dentist and 1 Dental Hygienist

Maranatha has a project in Nagaland Northeast India, this December 23, 2014, to Jan. 4, 2015.

**1 Dentist and 1 Dental Hygienist** is needed to join a strong medical team, including an ophthalmologist, that is planning to do outreach to the people of Nagaland. In addition, the project is to include building 12 additional classrooms (One-Day Classrooms) to the existing primary school, Chwang School, in Samzuiram, in a remote area in the mountains of Nagaland.



**Website:** <http://maranatha.org/projects/tgid2357/> Please review the project page as it will answer many questions you may have regarding the trip, including where to fly into and the schedule.

**Contact:** Lisa Emmanuel, Maranatha office coordinator @ 916-774-7700

or

Brenda Duerksen, Maranatha medical project specialist @ 916-915-2620

## Missions Emphasis Breakfast

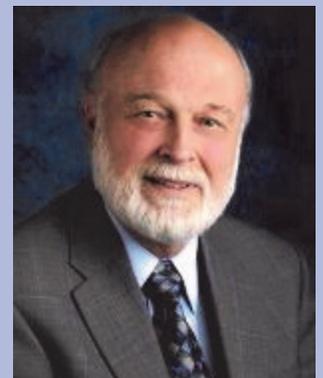
**Date:** *Friday, February 6, 2015, 7:00 am*

**Location:** *LLU Church East & West Fellowship Hall*

**Speaker:** Dr. Richard Hart, President, Loma Linda University

**Title:** Missions here, Missions there, Mission everywhere

Don't miss out! Come and learn about some of LLU's local and international service activities and why these activities are so important! This is a meeting of fellowship and sustenance that will be enjoyed by every person who attends!!



# Events in 2015

## Round Table Discussion for Dental Students and Recent Graduates

**Location:** Centennial Complex

**Date:** Friday, February 6, 2015

**Time:** 10:30 am-12:30pm

**Title:** How you do anything is how you do everything!

**Registration:** Contact Katie in the NASDAD office at [nasdad@llu.edu](mailto:nasdad@llu.edu) or 909-558-8187

**Course Description:** Dynamic discussion circles led by mentors with broad experience in many aspects of dentistry. Bring your inquisitive mind as we take a look at what is and is not working for you in dental school or your practice of dentistry. This energetic session, brought to you by NASDAD, is geared toward students and recent graduates who have been practicing less than 5 years.

**Mentors:** Jim Libby, DDS LLUSD'77, Landon Libby DDS LLUSD'11, Paul Luczynski DDS LLUSD'10, Kenneth W. Pierson DDS LLUSD'71, Brian Evans DDS LLUSD 09', Wes Spencer DDS LLUSD'10, Justin Libby DDS LLUSD'11, Wes Reed CPA

**Fee:** Donation encouraged to NASDAD, supporting hundreds of SDA dental clinics worldwide  
Not eligible for CE credit

*\*Pictures from a previous event held during the 71st NASDAD Convention in San Diego, CA*



# Events in 2015

## **Dental, Medical, and Vision Care Mission Trip, San Antonio, Texas**

*April 8-11, 2015*

Your Best Pathway to Health, a division of ASi national, is organizing a medical, dental, and vision care mission trip to the San Antonio area as a prelude to the General Conference session. The event will take place April 8-11, with care being provided FREE to patients from April 8-10. In addition to providing free medical, vision care, and lifestyle care to the underserved of San Antonio, comprehensive dental care will be provided to attendees, including cleaning, restorative care, oral surgery, root canals, and crowns. Patterson Dental will be on hand with up to 7 cerec machines. We are in special need of more dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants. Speakers at the nightly and weekend meetings include Elder Ted Wilson and Pastor Mark Finley. Your donation of your time and means will make a real difference in the lives of attendees, and will help let the world know that God cares for them. To find out more, visit: [www.PathwayToHealthVolunteer.org](http://www.PathwayToHealthVolunteer.org).

The 5-minute video on the site shows our most recent event.

***\*The pictures are from a PREVIOUS event that was held in San Francisco***



# Events in 2015

## Dental Screening Volunteers Needed 60<sup>th</sup> General Conference Session San Antonio, Texas

July 2-11, 2015

The office of International Dental Affairs is coordinating a dental screening booth at the GC Session in San Antonio. If you are a dentist and interested in volunteering in the booth, if you are interested in meeting brethren from all over the world, please contact Katie at [klayon@llu.edu](mailto:klayon@llu.edu) or 909-558-4607.

*\*the pictures below are from the last GC Session that was held in Atlanta, Georgia in 2010*



# Events in 2015

## 72<sup>nd</sup> NASDAD Convention - Washington, DC October 30 through November 2, 2015

Please join us in our nation's capital for a spectacular event! Please note that the schedule is slightly different than usual as the meeting will be Friday, Saturday, Sunday, AND Monday. Please mark your calendar and makes plans to attend the 72nd NASDAD Convention!

### Washington Marriott Georgetown

Room Rate: \$139/night

Wifi: \$12/day

Parking: \$36/day



#### SUBWAY STATIONS

Dupont Circle Metro Station (Red Line) 0.3 miles N  
Foggy Bottom Metro Station (Blue Line) 0.4 miles S

#### AIRPORT INFORMATION

There is no shuttle service but there are plenty of transportation options

#### RONALD REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT

- Red Top Executive Sedan Service; fee: 30 USD (one way)
  - Bus service, fee: 17 USD (one way)
  - Estimated taxi fare: 15 USD (one way)

#### WASHINGTON DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

- Red Top Executive Sedan Service; fee: 65 USD (one way)
  - Estimated taxi fare: 45 USD (one way)

#### BALTIMORE/WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL THURGOOD MARSHALL AIRPORT

- Red Top Executive Sedan Service; fee: 75 USD (one way)
  - Estimated taxi fare: 75 USD (one way)

*Bring your kids and/or grandkids and make it a family vacation!!*

*Join us in Historic Georgetown and enjoy Washington, DC!!*

