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## North Central @ University of Illinois

January 23– 25, 2026



### FRIDAY

5:00 - 6:30pm	Registration
6:30pm	Meal and Fellowship
7:30pm	Introductions - <b>Drs. Ashley Propst and Lauren Charles</b>
8:00pm	Evening Challenge - <b>Dr. Brian Aldridge</b>
8:30pm	Praise & Worship led by <a href="#">Ben Bylsma</a>

### SATURDAY

8:00am	Breakfast		
8:15am	Praise & Worship led by <a href="#">Ben Bylsma</a>		
8:45am	Devotional - <b>Dr. Rushawn Aldridge</b>		
	Room A	Room B	Room C
9:30-10:20am	<b>Dr. Dan Lohnes</b> <i>My experience as a long-term short-term missionary to Honduras</i>	<b>Dr. Briana Selleck</b> <i>Motherhood in veterinary medicine: a sweet synergy</i>	<b>Dr. Marjorie Clark</b> <i>Paws, Purpose, and Progress: The Power of Mentorship in Veterinary Medicine</i>
10:30-11:20am	<b>Dr. Dan Bieck</b> <i>Life Lesson I learned from Mongolian Veterinarians</i>	<b>Drs. Joshua Li and Laura Li</b> <i>Learning to be content and giving thanks through it all</i>	<b>Dr. Lauren Charles</b> <i>Balancing Life: Faith, Family, Work and the Kitchen Sink*</i>
11:30-12:20pm	<b>Dr. Gina Wintermantel</b> <i>The God Who Walks With Us in the Waters</i>	<b>Dr. Diane Noll</b> <i>Ethics and the newly emerging "Ethical Fatigue" debate</i>	<b>Dr. Karren Eales</b> <i>Calling and Career: Finding Purpose in Veterinary Medicine and Beyond*</i>
12:30pm	Lunch, CVF Updates, and Open Mic		
2:30-3:20pm	<b>Dr. Cheryl Loken</b> <i>Feeding the Flame and Passing on the Flame: A Look at Being Discipled and Discipling Others</i>	<b>Dr. Emily Massie</b> <i>Never Alone</i>	<b>Dr. Brandon Sharping</b> <i>Transforming From Student Debt Stress to Financial Peace and Gratitude</i>
3:30-4:20pm	Current Student Panel	Non-vet Family & Supporters Panel	Financial Q & A Panel J. Li, Scharping
4:30-6:30pm	<b>Gratitude Journaling</b> <b>Study / Fellowship / Vet School Tours</b>		
6:30pm	<b>Dinner</b>		
7:30pm	Evening Challenge - <b>Dr. Ashley Propst</b> - <i>Grateful Through it All</i>		
8:30 - 9:00pm	Praise & Worship led by <a href="#">Ben Bylsma</a>		

### SUNDAY

8:30am	Praise & Worship led by <a href="#">Ben Bylsma</a>
9:00am	Devotion and Closing - <b>Jeremy Rodriguez</b>

