



# Northwest RLRI 2024 Featured Speakers – Pullman, WA

Friday Evening January 26

#### Bliss Steele

Bliss lives in Lancaster SC with his wife, Jessica, their son and seven dogs. Bliss has worked with teenagers and adults for nearly three decades in both the church and corporate world. Bliss is currently the Corporate Chaplain for Nutramax Laboratories in Lancaster, SC serving their nearly 800 employees. Bliss uses his unique experiences from growing up on the mission field traveling the world, to serving in the local church, along with his years as a dog trainer to combine biblical truths and practical application showing what it means to be in an obedient and dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ.

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Saturday January 27

## **Morning Message**

## Allison Hale, DVM

A Montana native, Dr. Allison Hale graduated from the Washington-Idaho-Montana-Utah (WIMU) Regional Program in Veterinary Medicine in 2020. Since graduation, she has been working as a mixed animal practitioner in Twin Falls, ID. When not working, her horse and cat as well as her church family, keep her busy. She was actively involved in Christian Veterinary Fellowship while in veterinary school and is currently trying to create a CVF branch for the veterinary technician program at the College of Southern Idaho. Allison's interests include hiking, running, horseback-riding, writing, and every outdoor adventure.

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## Session I

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### Brian T. Bowers, PharmD, RPh, FSVHP, FACVP, DipICVP

Dr. Brian T. Bowers is a 2009 graduate from Duquesne University (Pittsburgh, PA), who took the 'trail' out to Oregon from Pennsylvania in 2011 where he works for OSU. He is the pharmacy director at the Carlson College of Veterinary Medicine and is current faculty advisor for CVF at Oregon State University. When not working in the pharmacy dispensing prescriptions and overseeing the

operations, he enjoys a lot of his time in the outdoors where he likes to fish, hunt, camp and hike with his dog, Kane, a mixed breed pit and boxer, who is a spittin' image of 'Chance' from the movie Homeward Bound. He also enjoys being active in his church and playing soccer.\_
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# Session II

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## Gary Marshall, DVM

Dr. Gary Marshall is a graduate of the Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Marshall founded Island Cats Veterinary Hospital on Mercer Island, Washington in 1996. He still practices full time at Island Cat, although he no longer the owner. As the mentor for MentorVet and Ready Vet Go, he connects with many students and new graduate veterinarians on a consistent basis. With his position as Adjunct Professor for Washington State University's College of Veterinary Medicine, there are several veterinary students receiving part of their clinical training at Island Cats. Dr. Marshall is a Past-President of the Washington State Veterinary Medical Association and still serves on the Board of Directors. He also has previously served as Vice-Chairman of the American Veterinary Medical Foundation and currently serves as one of two representatives from Washington State in the House of Delegates for the American Veterinary Medical Association. In 2020, he was appointed to the Advisory Group of the Commission for a Diverse, Equitable, and Inclusive Veterinary Profession. This is a joint venture of the AVMA and AAVMC. Also in 2020, Dr. Marshall was elected to the Board of Directors of the Women's Veterinary Leadership Development Initiative. He enjoys working with the women on the board, and this experience has helped refine for him what allyship can, and should look like. The best places to connect with Dr. Marshall are on instagram by following his account @it.might.get.weird or at his AVMA Vice President campaign website: www.garymarshalldvm.com.

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# Midday Message

# Chris Eugenio, DVM

Dr, Eugenio went to veterinary school at Washington state university. During his second and third year in veterinary school, he was the president for the Christian Veterinary Fellowship group on campus. He graduated from veterinary school in 1994. He practiced large animal, small animal, small mammal, exotic, avian, and reptile medicine and surgery for the first 10 1/2 years of his career and then only small animal, small mammal, exotic, avian, and reptile medicine and surgery until present. He is currently certified in doing TPLO (Tibial Plateau Leveling Osteotomy) ACL surgery repairs in dogs. He has a strong focus and abdominal ultrasound, dentistry, orthopedics, and advanced soft tissue surgeries. Dr. Eugenio has served as the chief of staff and manager of a total of three hospitals over a ten-year period. Currently, he has been a practice owner since March of 2018. He became a Christian on January 15, 1983 and was involved in college ministries for 17 years with the last four years as a lay College Pastor. He was a youth leader for seven years and led the men's ministry at Puget Sound Christian Center for five years. He loves to spend time with his wife, Jessica,

and two children Tyler (21 years old) and Kelsey (16 years old). His hobbies include: bowling, fishing, target shooting, pool/billiards, and playing the guitar. drceugenio@yahoo.com

#### Session III

# Nancy Moore, DVM, MA

Dr. Moore is a Nebraska native. Scholastic blessings led her to the University of Florida for vet school, graduating in 1995. Small animal private practice and a love for the Lord propelled her into short-term missionary work with CVM's Native American Reservations and Urban Outreach. In obedience to the Lord, she completed a Master Degree in Ministerial Leadership at Southeastern University in 2020. She is married to Carnell, and they have five precious children: Ebriana, Jordan, Logan, Damian and Reagan. They're also home to a small handful of rescued cats! While Dr. Moore continues with CVM as a short-term missionary, she also serves with CVM as the US West Region Representative. She connects and ministers to veterinarians, professors, vet students, technicians, donors and prayer partners encouraging them to fix their eyes on Jesus the author and finisher of our faith. In addition, she helps leverage them in their positions to love the Lord and others through veterinary medicine across her region of nine states. She is blessed to witness how the Lord multiplies His power through His people for His Kingdom. You may also see her husband Carnell serving and speaking at CVM events.

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# Daniel Graham, DVM, MA, PG Cert

Daniel graduated from Oregon State University's veterinary school in 2009, worked in small animal practice, and then moved with his wife, Rachel, to Soroti, Uganda in 2012 were they worked for 9 years. Daniel's work was in the areas of community development, discipleship, and ministry leadership training. Along the way, Daniel completed a Postgraduate Certificate in International Animal Health and a Master's in Global Leadership with a specialization in community development. He currently serves as CVM's Missions Mobilization Strategist, helping others through the process of preparing to serve long-term overseas and strategizing opportunities for veterinary service delivery in the global community.

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#### **Session IV**

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Bliss Steele
See bio earlier.

# **Evening Message**

# Curtiss Gibbs, M.Div

Curtiss Gibbs joined the CVM team as a Region Rep in 2017. He serves as our West Region Rep, after having spent 5 years serving as the Northeast Rep. Previously, Curtiss served in pastoral ministry for 13 years in the local church, mostly focused on youth, college students, and missions. He studied at the University of Georgia for his undergraduate degree and at Fuller Theological Seminary for his

Master of Divinity. Curtiss loves connecting people to their calling and working to see individuals and groups thrive as they serve God. He and his wife, Shannon, have been married since 2003, and love to spend time outdoors and in the company of family and friends. cgibbs@cvm.org

Sunday January 28

Visit Churches in Area, like Colfax First Baptist Church (Dr. Elfer's Church) or others.



