Southwest RLRI 2027 Featured Speakers – Phoenix, AZ

Friday March 19

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.
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Saturday March 20

Devotion

Nancy Krutzsch
Nancy Krutzsch joined CVM after working in the veterinary industry both as a Certified Veterinary Practice Manager and a veterinary manufacturer sales representative for over 12 years. A CVM Short-Term Mission trip to Haiti led to a transformed relationship with God. Nancy Lynn's involvement with CVM grew through RLRI participation and multiple STM trips to Honduras. Her passion for workplace ministry and STM drew her full time to CVM. Nancy Lynn's free time is spent working on the farm with her husband Jonathan and visits from her three grown sons.

Session I

Lauren Griggs, DVM
Lauren earned her veterinary degree from Cornell University after completing her undergraduate studies at the University of Arizona. With a strong background in infectious disease research, she is passionate about caring for vulnerable populations and their pets. Outside of work, she enjoys being active in her church community, cooking, traveling, exploring new trails, and spending time with loved ones.

Session 2

Kyle Martin, DVM

Session 3

Jordan Clark, DVM
Raised in Hahira, Georgia on a horse farm, Dr. Clark attended UGA for veterinary school and graduated in 2020. She now lives in Lakeside, Arizona working as an associate veterinarian at Blue Ridge Pet Clinic practicing both small animal and equine medicine. Christian Veterinary Mission has been an integral part of her veterinary journey and a wonderful tool that God used to lead her to Arizona through short term mission trips during vet school. She lives near the White Mountain Apache reservation and hopes to continue doing ministry work with the people through their pets. She is so thankful for the friends she has made through this amazing organization and is looking forward to seeing how God uses her as a veterinarian to bring Him glory! She lives in Arizona along with her husband Curtis and their two kids. Email: jlinahan2012@gmail.com

Madison Seamans, DVM
Madison, is a native Texan, but got over it about thirty years ago, and now lives in southern New Mexico. He resides there with his "way-above-my-paygrade-lovely-wife," Annette, a few horses, two spoiled dogs (Jack Russell "terrorists") and an ever-changing population of barn cats. He came to the Lord in a vision in 1972 and has been back-sliding ever since. So, he is thankful knowing he serves a "God of second and second millionth chances"! His job is equine medicine and surgery, but his career is workplace ministry. It's really very simple, just live like God is always watching, pray with clients and leave the rest to the Holy Spirit. Email: madisonseamans@gmail.com.

Session 4

Evening Message

Shane Rootes, PhD
Shane Rootes serves as CEO of Christian Veterinary Mission, inspiring veterinarians worldwide to live out their calling where faith and skill meet in service. A transformational leader with more than two decades of global experience, he is passionate about advancing mission, mentorship, and impact through the veterinary profession. Shane Rootes serves as the CEO of Christian Veterinary Mission (CVM), bringing over 25 years of global nonprofit leadership to the role. A visionary grounded in compassion, Shane has walked alongside communities in crisis, led cross-cultural teams, and witnessed the power of faith in action.He believes leadership begins with listening and that healing starts with presence. Whether in a remote village or a boardroom, Shane's heart beats for holistic care, courageous collaboration, and building what lasts. Shane is married to Miriam, and together they are raising four incredible children who remind him daily of what truly matters. He's passionate about equipping others to live out their calling while guiding CVM's growth with integrity, humility, and bold vision. Now leading CVM into its next chapter of global impact, Shane remains committed to honoring the sacred mission of Christ-centered veterinary service; because love leaves a legacy, and service speaks louder than words.
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Sunday March 21

Worship at Church: 10:00AM Service at Calvary North Phoenix, 14201 N. 32 Street, Phoenix, AZ


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