



# Virtual RLRI

March 4, 2023

(All times are in Eastern Time)



## SATURDAY

3:00-3:30pm ET	Introductions/Welcome by Region Reps
3:30-4:15pm ET	<b>Dr. Bettina Mattos</b> Through NAVLE, Marriage and Missions - How God transforms through trials
4:15-5:00pm ET	<b>Michael Shirley</b> Leadership Lessons from Teenagers
5:00pm-5:15pm ET	Short Break/Fellowship
5:15-6:00pm ET	<b>Missions Breakout Rooms</b> STM 101 / STM Leadership / LTM Stories
6:00-6:45pm ET	<b>Dr. Julie Buzby</b> Practice Pearls from the Proverbs
6:45-7:00pm ET	Closing
7:00 pm ET	Optional Breakout Rooms / After Party

### **"Through NAVLE, Marriage, and Missions—How God Transforms Through Trials" - Dr. Bettina Mattos**

Dr. Bettina Mattos will share personal testimonies of various areas of her life where God used trials to bring about spiritual transformation. She will reflect on how prayer and moments of surrender led her through seemingly impossible situations only to be stronger and more in love with Jesus in the end.

### **"Leadership Lessons from Teenagers" - Michael Shirley**

Managing a classroom of high school students is very similar to leading a team of veterinary professionals. The key to success in either setting is learning how to meet the group needs of safety, inclusion, motivation, and purpose.

### **"Missions Breakout Rooms" - Various Leaders**

Choose between Short-Term Missions 101, Short-Term Missions Leadership, and Long-Term Mission Stories from the field this hour to dive deeper into an area of missions that interests you.

### **"Practice Pearls from the Proverbs" - Dr. Julie Buzby**

Julie will examine sayings from the Biblical book of wisdom that can be clearly and practically applied to real life situations. In this case, we will apply the sage advice from King Solomon to facets of veterinary medicine--to include practice management, client interactions, and general practice. At the end of the session, attendees will be encouraged and better equipped to find success in the areas of decision making, communication, and interpersonal relationships.

## **Speaker Bios**

### **Dr. Bettina Mattos**

Dr. Bettina Mattos is a 2011 University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine graduate. She practiced in small animal and shelter medicine in Georgia as well as South Carolina. She has participated in various short term trips with CVM to Navajo and Apache Reservations. In 2014 she got married to her husband, Matt, and together they founded a missions organization, World Nations International, in 2016 focused on bringing gospel access to unreached people groups around the world. They have lived in Indonesia mid term and moved abroad for long term ministry 2 years ago to Italy. They have two adorably rambunctious children, Thomas and Sarah Elise. Bettina

### **Michael Shirley**

Michael is Chief Empowerment Officer of Family Pet Health in Murfreesboro, TN. He believes that the key to success is to hire great people, equip them with the tools they need, and then get out of their way. Before opening Family Pet Health with his wife, Dr. Amy Shirley, Michael enjoyed a 16-year career in education as a 4-H agent then as a high school agriculture teacher and FFA advisor. Michael and Amy have three children and are active in their local church where they have served in roles from small group leaders to parking lot attendees.

### **Dr. Julie Buzby**

Dr. Julie Buzby graduated from Kansas State University in 1997, and earned certification by the AVCA in 1998, and by IVAS in 2002. As a newly minted veterinarian, Julie built her own hospital with aspirations of always owning a practice and never having children. Instead, she later sold her practice, birthed eight children, and became an accidental entrepreneur with the launch of Dr. Buzby's ToeGrips in 2012. Though she continues to practice part time, Julie's heart is now devoted to the unconventional full-time ministry of homeschooling her children, helping people learn about and visit the land of Israel, and encouraging young veterinarians through Biblical wisdom.