

Are you a small animal veterinarian, student, technician or missionary who would like to go on a mission trip to a rural area, but feel a bit rusty in your large animal and ministry skills? Do you have a colleague, friend, or spouse who fits this description? He or she would be the perfect candidate for...

F.A.R.M

Farm Animal Refresher for Missions



Dr. Mary McDonald, who served in Bolivia, South America, with Christian Veterinary Mission, teaching rural animal health care workshops, and is currently working on projects in Uganda is offering trainings in farm animal skills. **Courses include** safe handling, restraint, vaccinating, de-worming, hoof trimming, and basic animal husbandry for poultry, horses, goats, swine and cattle (the major species often encountered in rural areas on short-term mission trips).

The course also incorporates spiritual preparation for short-term missions, including cross-cultural training, how to share your faith, and how to write your testimony. Also covered is how to design and teach animal health care courses in developing countries. The trainings are 3 days in length and are held on Dr. McDonald's farm in Catawba, Virginia (30 minutes from Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia and 30 minutes from the **Roanoke, Virginia airport**).

We welcome people with all levels of animal experience and mission work. Everyone will have something unique to contribute to the group and there will be opportunities for you to help with aspects of the training in which you might have a greater amount of experience than others. Considering this, we welcome and encourage **spouses** to attend, regardless of their animal health care background. Expect a wonderful few days of learning, growing, and developing a special new group of friends!

Questions? Please contact Dr. Mary McDonald at marymcdonald@sams-usa.org

Cost: \$600 per person (no charge for 3 days of room & board, everyone is our guest in our 1870 farmhouse or 1814 barn)

Dates: May 17 -20, 2018

(I am **encouraging students** to come and get CVF training during F.A.R.M. at discounted rate of **\$300.00**)

Registration: E-mail Dr. Mary McDonald (marymcdonald@sams-use.org) for registration. When your spot is confirmed, please send a check made out to Spend Yourselves, LLC to: *Dr. Mary McDonald, 7474 Blacksburg Road, Catawba, VA 24070*. Please write "F.A.R.M." in the memo line. **\$100.00 non-refundable deposit required to hold your place.**