



# Farm Girl to Professor: walking thru it all with Jesus

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# Growing up



- Sharps Chapel, Tennessee
  - Beef cows
  - Tobacco



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# Growing up



- Leatherwood Baptist Church



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# Education and Experience



- Lincoln Memorial University (2000-2004)
  - BS in American Studies
  - AAS in Veterinary Technology
- Seelhorst Veterinary Hospital (2002-2004)
- Lakeway Animal Hospital (2004-2011)



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# Education and Experience

- University of Tennessee College of Vet Med (2010-2014)
- University of Tennessee Grad School (MPH) (2011-2012)
- Internship at UTCVM (2014-2015)
- CVM short mission trip to Dominican Republic (2015)
- Residency at UTCVM (2015-2019)



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# Work Experience



- Lincoln Memorial University (2019-2021)
- Blaine Veterinary Clinic (2021-2024)
- Lincoln Memorial University (2024-present)



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# Stories From Practice



- Good Sam cases/funds
- Older folks
- Money is tight
- Euthanasia
  - At home
  - In clinic

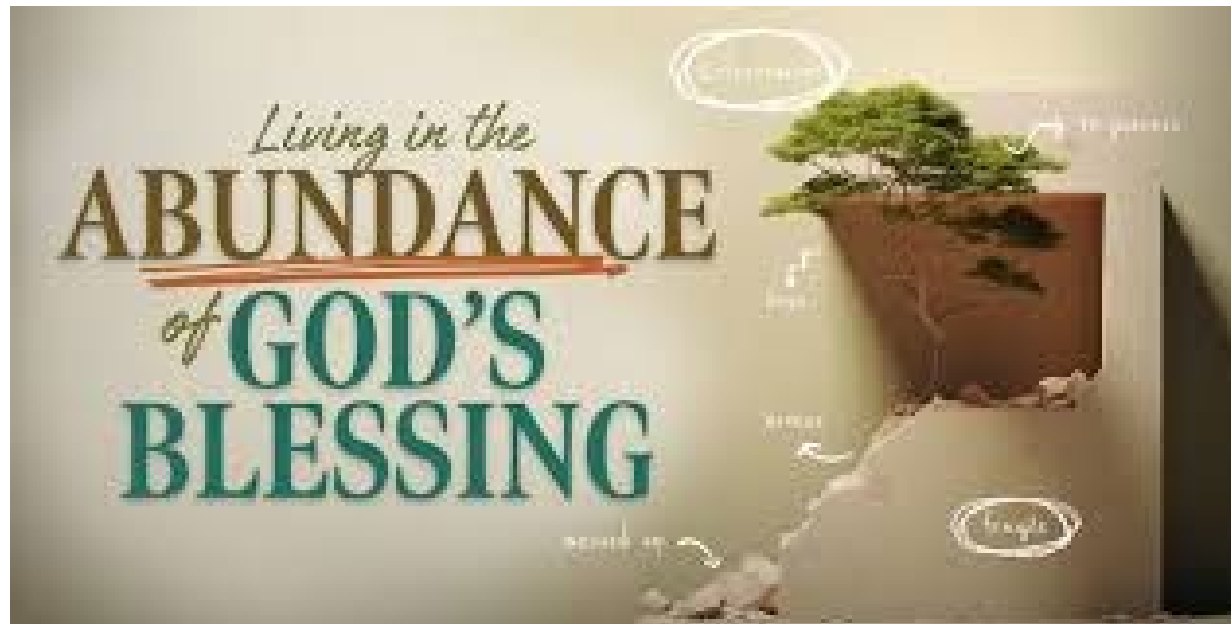


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# Stories From Practice



- "Don't steal my blessing Doc"



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# Be Kind to Yourself



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# Get to Church

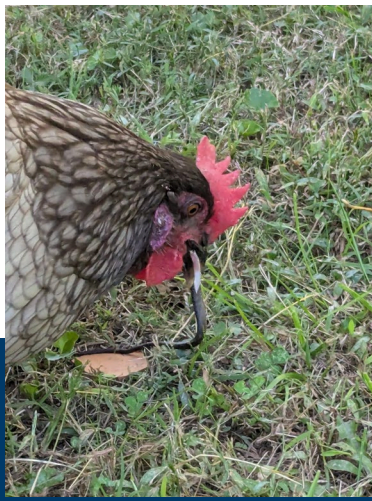


- Find a faith community
- Spend time in prayer and reading scripture



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# Free time



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“Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved,  
clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.”

- *Colossians 3:12*



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