A Series of Four Workshops for

UT Southern and UT Extension are teaming up to offer four educational workshops for farmers and farm families in the southern middle Tennessee region during December. The series of workshops are offered under the *Reaching Local Farms* initiative that was recently developed between UT Southern's Turner Center and UT Extension's Center for Profitable Agriculture.

The upcoming workshops will feature various UT Extension specialists addressing topics including specialty crops, meat marketing, modern technology on the farm, and an overview of carbon markets.



Area Farmers in December 2021

REGISTRATION

There is no cost to attend but preregistration is required. The deadline to preregister is 3:00 p.m. on December 1. Seating is limited and a meal will be provided as part of the educational program.



Preregister by telephone at 931-424-7347 or online at martinmethodist.typeform.com/to/xA7tzzb6

Those who preregister will be sent detailed instructions regarding the building, meeting room, and parking instructions for the UT Southern campus.



QUESTIONS

If you have questions about these workshops, please call **Allen Stanton** at UT Southern **931-424-7347** or **Rob Holland** at UT Extension **931-698-3211**.



WORKSHOPS

Each educational workshop will be held on the UT Southern campus in Pulaski and will begin at 6:00 p.m.



December 8

A General Overview of Carbon Markets and Carbon Credits

Aaron Smith, UT Extension, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics

Smith will discuss proposed policies, current challenges, and potential opportunities for farmers to obtain payments for carbon sequestered or payments for production practices that are carbon friendly.



December 9

Considerations for Growing Various Specialty Crops

David Lockwood, UT Extension, Department of Plant Sciences

Lockwood will discuss essential production practices, varieties, and yields for various specialty crops including tree fruits such as apples and peaches; small fruits including grapes; and tree nuts.



December 15

How Technology Has Changed Farming

Mike Buschermohle, UT Extension, Department of Biosystems Engineering and Soil Science

Buschermohle will present information and deliver a conversation that will chronicle a journey from the past to the future of agriculture with discussions on how technology has influenced farm production practices, equipment, efficiency, management, and yields.



December 16

Considerations for Direct Marketing Meat and Live Animals for Custom Harvest

Megan Leffew, UT Extension, Center for Profitable Agriculture

Leffew will share with livestock producers important information about marketing meat direct to consumers from the farm and will discuss valuable details regarding the sale of live animals direct to consumers for custom harvest.



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