

## Finally!!! The Journey Has Begun!!!

Come take this amazing journey with us as we follow "in His steps?". Come with us as we answer the call of the Great Commission and walk in obedience to God's call to go to the nations!

### In His Steps

What does it really mean to be a Christian? What does it mean to be 'imitators of Christ? The expression:

**WHAT WOULD JESUS DO? WWJD**

In the book: In His Steps, a minister, challenged his congregation: "I want volunteers from First Church who will pledge themselves, earnestly and honestly, for an entire year, not to do anything without first asking the question, 'what would Jesus do?' Together they pledged themselves to a new step of faith that would change, not just a handful of people, but an entire town for good!



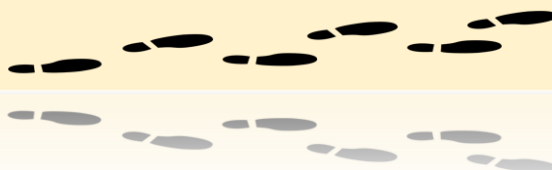
The book that popularized the expression: "What would Jesus do?" begins with the arrival of an out of work stranger, who after a week of unsuccessfully seeking employment among church members, interrupts the Sunday service to ask the surprised members of the church, what it meant for them to follow Jesus in their daily lives. And then he collapsed and died! In the Sunday evening service, the pastor challenged his congregation to answer the stranger's question to pledge, that for an entire year, before making any major decision, they would first ask the question, "what would Jesus do?"

There are people who believe that to abide by this, is impossible in today's modern world. They argue that to follow this, is simply not possible, after all, Jesus is God and we are mere humans. So, to live this way we would be dubbed a 'Jesus Freak' or a 'Fanatic'. But I'd rather be known as an obedient follower of Christ in every area of my life and if that makes me a "Jesus Freak", then, so be it.

I use this statement "What Would Jesus Do?" in every possible way I can, to guide my life as I follow, in His steps. I use it as a guide to remind myself that I am to be an imitator of Christ.

*1 Peter 2:21*

*"For you have been called for this purpose,  
Since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example  
for you  
To follow in His steps."*



## Follow in His Steps

*He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation – Mark 16:15*

I follow in His steps. I follow in obedience to Jesus as He gave the Great Commission – to take the Gospel to every person throughout the world – to make disciples in all nations.

This September I have the amazing opportunity to be part of a group of missionaries from **Youth With A Mission** in Chico, California (**YWAM**) to be trained in a program called Crossroads Discipleship Training School. The Crossroads Discipleship Training School (CDTS) is designed for people who are twenty five years and older who are seeking spiritual renewal, inspiration, or a new direction in life. It's a unique opportunity to know God more personally, to increase in Christian character, and to become actively involved in missions. This five- month course has a twelve week classroom (lecture) phase followed by an eight week field assignment (outreach).

I will be in missionary training and then on a short term field assignment. But ultimately, I believe the call of God on my life to serve long term in Central America and so this is the first step in my being able to serve full-time as a missionary. This has always been a 'long time' desire of mine and now the Lord has made it possible....and so the journey begins!

I will be taking my son as well, who will be enrolled in the Foundation School at the YWAM Base in Chico, California. You can join us by partnering with us financially and prayerfully.

I am very excited to be a part of this and what God is doing in the world! As we prepare for the trip and our future in missions, we need your prayers for safety and for God to work in and through us.

All directions and queries for financial and prayer support (or both) can be directed to the email address: [livingbyfaith2018@outlook.com](mailto:livingbyfaith2018@outlook.com) or on the WhatsApp number: [876-432-5546](tel:876-432-5546).

I look forward to keeping you updated on how God continues to change our lives and how He continues to mould us into the persons He has created us to be! SHALOM!

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## Prayer & Praise



### Praise For:

- This wonderful opportunity to minister & be engaged in mission.
- The support of friends, church and family.
- The wonderful missionaries out on the field across the nations.

### Prayer:

- For the lives that will be touched on mission outreach.
- That God will meet the financial obligations for Crossroads DTS/Foundation School and long-term missionary service.
- For health, safety and travel-that we will experience safe travel and health protection.
- That the Holy Spirit will go ahead of us and prepare the hearts of the lost to respond to Christ and draw unbelievers to Him.
- That we will be abundantly wise and discerning as well as filled with love for those whom we will serve and share with.

