

# Camp Copass Boys Camp 2008

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## Wild to Follow

Eddie grew up in a small town, with a small school, a small church and not much else. He grew up on a farm and helped his dad raise crops and tend animals. He was active in church and graduated high school. He attended and graduated from college fully intending to come home and teach school. But God had other plans. Eddie couldn't get a job teaching in his home town, so he tried the towns in the surrounding area. No luck. Eddie widened his circle and tried again. Again, no luck.

Frustrated, Eddie finally asked God what He wanted Eddie to do. Should he become a farmer like his Dad? Should he give up on agriculture and teaching and go to work for Wal-Mart? God sent Eddie an answer he didn't expect.

Through a package in the mail, Eddie learned of the International Mission Board's Journeyman program, a program that allows college graduates under the age of 30 to serve as volunteer missionaries overseas. This was never in Eddie's playbook, but he couldn't get it out of his mind.

There were several obstacles that Eddie would have to overcome in order to qualify for the program and so Eddie asked God that if this was really what He had in store for him, would He please make the obstacles easy to overcome. Six weeks later Eddie was on a plane to Tanzania as an Agriculture Journeyman Missionary.

Many times we think we have the best idea of what God wants for our lives. Sometimes we're right, but often we're wrong. God made us each with a purpose and plan. He has given us all special talents and gifts and special jobs to use them in, all of which can glorify His name. Are you Wild to Follow Jesus or are you still trying to walk your own road. Decide tonight.