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The Mugger from Manaus

The headlights of the vehicles highlighted the darkness of the sidewalks. Looking for invisible safety at the bus stop, a Deborah couldn't hide her natural apprehension while she waited for the vehicle that would take her to the prayer meeting where she would pray for her children. The muggers and thieves were becoming more frequent on the streets of Manaus, in the Amazonian heart of Brazil. This city, with its rich past made possible by the wealth of the trade rubber, has recently been struggling with the typical problems that come with rapid urban expansion.

Sheltered by the shadows, a young man came near her and put a gun to her temple. He threatened her life if she didn't give him the money in her purse. The thief, without lowering his gun, continued to watch the woman's movements. While she nervously searched through her wallet, the mugger observed the emblem of the bag that she carried on her shoulder. It said "WakeUp Deborah, Mothers on their knees, children on their feet".

Now it was his arms that shook.

"Are you a Deborah?" asked the mugger.

"Yes, I am and I'm going to a prayer meeting," responded the woman, hesitantly.

"You can go lady, I'm not going to rob you," stammered the distressed man while he lowered his gun.

"Why?" she inquired—her words showing emotion.

"My mom and my grandmother are both Deborahs and I know they are praying for me." Lowering his countenance and expressing his embarrassment, he confessed: "That's why I don't want to continue doing this."



Hélda, Silvia and Saskia met together for the first time - October 2011.

News in the World: God continues to move mothers from other parts of the world to rise up like Deborah and cry for God's intervention on behalf of their children and their countries. The first meeting of regional leaders of the WakeUp Deborah movement met last October in Denver, Colorado: Helida Paixão – International Coordinator, Silvia Brynjolfson – North America and Saskia van Helden – Europe.

Canada: Heather from Regina wrote: "I believe the Lord really wants to raise up prayer warriors in this area and I believe He is going to do so."

Marianne from Ontario told us: "One of our highlights last year was to bring two baskets to each local school at Christmas. One was for the administration, the other for the caretakers. All baskets were warmly received and it allowed us to bless the schools with a kind gesture."



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