

# Signals from Ted & Dawn Siemens

## Serving with TWR

May 2026

### Six Amazing Days in São Paulo

#### Thursday April 9th

After a diverted flight to Rio de Janeiro, I finally arrived in São Paulo later than expected. That evening, I joined RTM-Brazil board members at an authentic Italian restaurant (São Paulo is famous for its Italian heritage). Some of the members share my German Mennonite roots, which made for great conversation. This was also my first in-person meeting with Dr. Luíz Sayão, the Bible scholar who created the series we call **Mission 66**. I got to ask him challenging questions.



#### Friday April 10th

Our first **Mission 66** meeting was a chance to review production, distribution, and responses in active languages while praying for the ministry's priorities. Later, we toured Geografica Editora, a Bible printing facility. Though many use Bible apps, staff shared that printed Bibles are growing in demand, especially since the pandemic. They print lots of Gideon Bibles in *not just a few* languages.



#### Saturday April 11th

RTM-Brazil's annual gathering brought leaders and guests from across the country. Rev. Edmund Spieker, a founder of RTM-Brazil, led the opening devotion. Rev. Spieker interviewed Dawn and me during our TWR appointment process in 1991 and was also a student of my Uncle Don Faul at a seminary in Brazil! His wife, Marli, who founded *Women of Hope*, introduced me warmly as "Dawn Siemens' husband," in honor of Dawn's work with *Women of Hope*.



#### Sunday April 12th

My TWR colleagues and I participated in 2 services at the church where Dr. Sayão is one of the pastors. It is very multi-cultural and had even more ethnicities represented as that day had a special mission emphasis. Languages that morning included Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), Creole, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, and Ukrainian.



#### Monday & Tuesday April 13th-14th

We spent Monday finalizing priorities for **Mission 66** and praying for direction. On Tuesday, we toured RTM-Brazil's studios and offices, amazed at how their team creatively shares God's Word, and interacts with many people via online courses.

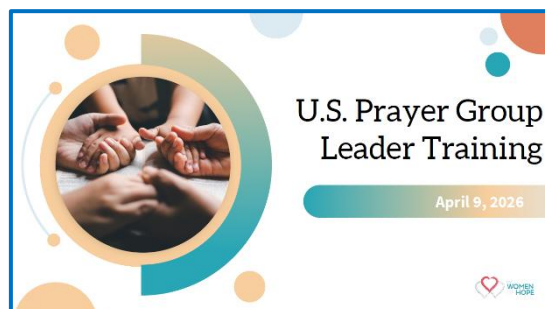


The week reminded me of the amazing ways God is working across cultures and generations through TWR and national partners like RTM-Brazil. Thank you for your prayers for our meetings and your support—your partnership is vital in spreading His Word!

## PAST SEASONS' EXPERIENCES & EVENTS PREPARE US FOR NEW OPPORTUNITIES

When I (Dawn) look back on my life, I can see the milestones that have shaped where I am today. At first, it's the big moments that come to mind, but with more reflection, I see that each one represents a choice I made or an event—joyful or painful—that God used to form me. Many of those moments have grown a deeper compassion in me, turning my heart toward Him and opening my eyes to the needs of others. Over time, God has developed in me a desire to encourage and advocate for women, many of whom are searching for hope and for a Savior.

That desire has taken shape in different seasons. I first became involved with Project Hannah - **Women of Hope** in 1998 in Guam. God brought me back to it years later. From 2007 to 2013, I served as the Project Hannah Coordinator for TWR Europe and CAMENA. Now, years later, I see His leading again. After training this April with TWR Women of Hope, I will be serving as an online U.S. Prayer Group Leader, joining others in intentional prayer for women around the world.



At the same time, God has been growing my ability to walk alongside others more personally. This past February, I completed discipleship training at our church and was paired with a woman to encourage in her faith. In April, I also took my first steps toward Biblical counselling through an introductory training. I'm eager to see how God will use these experiences, knowing that He continues to grow me as I spend time in His Word.

Through every season, I'm reminded that God wastes nothing—each milestone is part of His faithful work to draw me closer to Him and to serve others.

### Please pray for....

Continued good health of our new grandchildren. A baby girl to Andrew & Tabitha Chen and a baby boy to Brendan & Kerith Sunshine.

Micah's dependence on the Lord as he trusts God for timing on when to visit Japan.

Leadership responsibilities as Justin & Brittany and our two granddaughters live and serve together in Manchester, England.

A buyer for our (inherited) Hunt family home where Ted and I have been living since we transferred back to the USA.

### We are praising God for...

The birth of our two grandchildren (At the time of writing this prayer letter both Tabitha and Kerith are in their very last weeks of pregnancy.)

Ted's fruitful and safe trip to Brazil in April!

Our (inherited) investment property has a buyer. One house down, one to go!

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