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Debbie F. Thomas, PhD is the founder of Family Life Counseling Services, L.L.C and Soul-Care for Women Ministries. She is the assistant pastor and co-founder of NEWLIFE Church International in Lake Charles, LA.

For over 18 years, Dr. Debbie has provided services to families as a clinician, researcher, consultant, supervisor, and educator. She is a teacher at heart, especially when it comes to the Word of God. She is a motivational speaker and has an appeal to a diverse audience.

She has served as professor in Schools of Social Work at Grambling State University and Louisiana State University and as Dean of Instruction at the Sowela Technical Community College in Lake Charles. She is also certified by the Louisiana State Board of Board Certified Social Workers.

Dr. Debbie received a Bachelor of Arts in Social Work from Southern University in Baton Rouge, LA., a Masters in Social Work from LSU in Baton Rouge, LA., and a Ph.D. in Education from Kansas State University in Manhattan, KS. In 2008, Dr. Debbie was presented the award of “Outstanding First Lady of Southwest Louisiana” by the Black Heritage Foundation.

Located in downtown Lake Charles, Dr. Debbie is the founder of Family Life Counseling Services, a professional counseling agency which provides counseling & training seminars for individuals, families, ministries, and non-profit organizations of Louisiana and surrounding states.

An outreach of Family Life Counseling Services, *Soul-Care for Women*[®] is a ministry designed to minister life to the heart and soul of a woman. Through conferences, seminars, and international teachings that reach The United States, Africa, and Central America, *Soul-Care for Women*[®] presents ongoing events & outreaches such as: *Soul-Care for Women Conferences*, *Soul-Care Luncheons*, *Soul-Care for Women Seminars & Retreats*, *Soul-Care for Women Prison Ministry*, *Soul-Care at Home*, *The Soul of a Business*, and *Soul-Care for Spanish Women*. In addition to co-hosting the television broadcast *Faith For This Generation*, Dr. Debbie also offers *Soul-Care for Women*[®] as a daily feature on the program, inspiring women locally and abroad to fulfill their God-given destiny through a healthy mind, will, and emotions.

Dr. Debbie Thomas serves in the teaching ministry with her husband, Pastor Norman Thomas, Jr. Pastor Norman & Dr. Debbie began the ministry with twelve people in 1999. Their ministry

endeavors continue to expand today, empowering people through the Word of Faith, causing them to live the quality of life that Jesus came to give.