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The word of God is alive in the spirit of Rev. Herbert L. Thomas, Jr., M.Div. His passion, love and fervor for God and God's word are manifest in his preaching and teaching. His obedience to the call of ministry is evidenced in his leadership and his commitment to the demands of ministry is affirmed by his availability.

Rev. Thomas currently serves on the ministerial staff at St. John's Baptist Church in Scotch Plains, New Jersey. has served in various ministerial capacities. He was licensed and ordained under his spiritual father, the late Rev. Dr. Kelmo C. Porter, Jr. He has also served as an associate minister under the late Rev. William C. Riddick at Faith Hope Baptist Church. Also, he served as the Interim Pastor at Calvary Baptist Church in Red Bank, New Jersey. Previously, Rev. Thomas served as the Assistant Pastor at Imani Baptist Church of Christ, Inc., in East Orange, New Jersey, under the leadership of Rev. Leonard L. Smalls (Retired). In addition he has served on the staff of the Dean of Students and Students Services at New Brunswick Theological Seminary; and as a chaplain for troubled and displaced youth, and in hospice and hospital settings.

Rev. Thomas is a graduate of New Brunswick Theological Seminary where he received a Master's of Divinity degree. He has pursued doctoral studies at New Brunswick Theological Seminary and the Theological School at Drew University. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from New York University, and studied Theology at Oakwood University in Huntsville, Alabama.

By profession, he has been a commercial real estate appraiser and consultant for more than 30 years. His experience includes real estate finance and loan underwriting, real estate valuation and urban renewal.

Rev. Herbert L. Thomas, Jr is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and currently resides in North Plainfield, New Jersey. He has been married to the former Carla Willis for 33 years. He is father of Camille (27), Charles (19) and Cedric (15).