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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER, JULY 2013

TITLE OF PAPER : SELECT THEMES IN THE HISTORY OF
CHRISTIAN THOUGHT 1

COURSE CODE : TRS 313/IDE-TRS 313

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

MARKS : 75

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. CHOOSE AND ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS.**
- 2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 25 MARKS.**
- 3. BEGIN EACH QUESTION ON A FRESH PAGE.**
- 4. CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN FOR CLARITY, ACCURACY AND GOOD THEOLOGICAL INSIGHT.**

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INVIGILATOR.

QUESTION ONE

Discuss the main aspects of the Jerusalem Church of the apostolic era. To what extent did these aspects cause controversy amongst early Christians?

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QUESTION TWO

Trace the most important developments concerning the nature of Christ's personhood from the Council of Nicaea (325 CE) to the Council of Chalcedon (451CE). What has been the general significance of these developments for the history of Church?

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QUESTION THREE

Illustrate how the Battle of Milvian Bridge in October 27, 312 brought a turning point in the history of early Christianity.

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QUESTION FOUR

Identify the convergences and divergences between Pelagianism and Catholicism.

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QUESTION FIVE

Critically analyze the theological distinctives that led to the schism between the Western Catholic tradition and Eastern Orthodox tradition in 1054 CE.

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QUESTION SIX

Assess the significance of the religious rights that the Ottoman Empire granted to Christians in the 15th century. [25]

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