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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER

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TITLE OF PAPER : SELECT THEMES IN THE HISTORY OF
CHRISTIAN THOUGHT 11

COURSE CODE : TRS 314/IDE-TRS 314

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 NEW PAGE.**
- 4. CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN FOR CLARITY, ACCURACY AND GOOD THEOLOGICAL INSIGHT.**

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Question one

What are the basic doctrines that distinguish Protestant Christianity from Roman Catholicism? Do their differences outweigh their similarities, or do the essential principles that they share unite these traditions as legitimate expressions of Christianity? Explain.

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Question two

Discuss how the following factors prepared ground for the Protestant Reformation;

- i. The Renaissance
- ii. The Western Schism
- iii. Moral decadence amongst the clergy

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Question three

Who were the French Huguenots? Critically discuss their impact on Christian thought.

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Question four

'Reformation in England was motivated by politics rather than religion' (Gonzalez, 1984).

Provide evidence to the above assertion.

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Question five

Critically examine the successes and failures of the Council of Trent held in 1545-1563.

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Question six

Critically discuss the legacy of the Protestant Reformation in relation to the missionary enterprise in Africa.

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