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TITLE OF PAPER : NEW RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS

COURSE CODE : TRS 113

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

With specific focus on the Church of Scientology provide empirical evidence on who joins NRMs and why. Cite relevant examples that will support your standpoint.

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### QUESTION TWO

*'New Religious Movements occur whenever a higher religion encounters a primal culture or religion' (Turner, 1986).*

Drawing on your acquired knowledge in the study of New Religious Movements, provide evidence to Turner's assertion.

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### QUESTION THREE

*.....a key demographic feature of the New Religious Movements in Africa is the preponderance of women (Kalu (2000:16)*

Critically examine the factors that attract women to New Religious Movements

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### QUESTION FOUR

Using relevant examples from the African context, explain the differences between Christian revival movements and nativistic movements.

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### QUESTION FIVE

Select any charismatic church in Swaziland and justify its classification under AICs.

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**QUESTION SIX**

Considering the rapid growth of NRMs what do you think would be major challenges to this phenomenon in future?

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