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RESIT EXAMINATION PAPER, JULY 2018

TITLE OF PAPER : NEW RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS

COURSE CODE : TRS 113

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

MARKS : 75

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. 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

Of the characteristics about NRMs you have learnt, which ones account for the attraction of the youth to these movements and why?

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QUESTION TWO

“Charismatic African Christianity has become a vital phenomenon to be reckoned with...”(Olupona, 1993)

Critically discuss the reasons that account for the above assertion.

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QUESTION THREE

Examine the revitalization process of NRMs in Africa, as discerned by Roy Wallis (1984).

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QUESTION FOUR

“The Pentecostal character of new Christian expressions provides women with an opportunity in worship and leadership” (Mwaura, 2001).

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QUESTION FIVE

Describe any one NRM in North America. Why do you think it is classified under the New Religious Movement phenomenon?

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QUESTION SIX

'NRMs will succeed despite all challenges that threaten their survival' (Stark, 1996).

With the knowledge you have acquired in your study of the NRM in Africa, do you agree with Stark in your predictions concerning their survival in the future? Discuss.

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