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**MAIN EXAMINATION PAPER, NOVEMBER 2019**

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TITLE OF PAPER : NEW RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS

COURSE CODE : TRS113

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**

Using relevant examples explain Harold Turner's assertion that New Religious Movements are established whenever a 'sophisticated' religious orientation comes into contact with a primal culture (1978).

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### **QUESTION TWO**

Discuss how and why the Unification Church upholds family life as a key virtue in their beliefs and practices.

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### **QUESTION THREE**

With reference to **either** The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints **or** The Theosophical Society explain why they are classified under New Religious Movements.

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### **QUESTION FOUR**

*"The coming of Christianity brought mixed blessings for African women"* (Nyawo, 2017).

Drawing on your study of emerging Christian expressions in Africa, provide evidence to the above statement. Cite relevant examples to strengthen your argument.

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### **QUESTION FIVE**

Critically examine the reasons why NRMs emerged in Africa.

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## QUESTION SIX

*'The strengths of the NRMs can also be their weaknesses'* (Nyawo, 2017)

Discuss the above statement in relation to the future survival of NRMs.

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