THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

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ADVANCED CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION

EXAMINATION

114/1 **DIVINITY 1**

(For Both School and Private Candidates)

Time : 2:30 Hours **Year: 2004**

Instructions

1. This paper consists of sections **ten (10)** questions.
2. Answer **five (5)** questions. Question number **one (1)** is compulsory.
3. Each question carries **twenty (20)** marks.
4. Bibles and other unauthorised materials are **not** allowed in the examination room.
5. Write your **Examination Number** on every page of your answer booklet(s).

HISTORY AND PROPHETS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

1. Comment on five (5) of the items (a)-(j):

(a) “The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked.” (Nahum / Isaiah style) (4 marks)

(b) “Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?” (Isaiah 53:1) (4 marks)

(c) “And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.” (Isaiah 11:3) (4 marks)

(d) “Bring your full tithe into the storehouse … see if I will not open the windows of heaven …” (Malachi / Hosea style) (4 marks)

(e) “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD … to give you a future and a hope.” (Jeremiah 29:11) (4 marks)

(f) “And in that day you will say: Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name … declare his deeds among the peoples.” (Isaiah 12:4) (4 marks)

(g) “Because I have sinned … these sheep, what have they done? Let thy hand be against me and against my father’s house.” (2 Samuel 24:17) (re-used? No, included in earlier but avoid if used) – *skip if used before* – so replace with: “I will sing of mercy and judgment; unto thee, O LORD, will I sing.” (Psalms style echoed in prophets) (4 marks)

(h) “They shall see the glory of the LORD … all flesh shall see it together.” (Isaiah 40:5) (4 marks)

(i) “The LORD will rise upon you, his glory will appear upon you.” (Isaiah 60:2) (4 marks)

(j) “Sit in silence, go into darkness … for the LORD has rejected you.” (Micah / Jeremiah style) (4 marks)

2. List and explain five examples in the books of Kings of how prophets acted as kings’ conscience. (20 marks)

3. Trace and give five examples of prophetic messages of hope in the prophets Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Zechariah. (20 marks)

4. Explain the causes and effects of idolatry in Israel and Judah, with examples from Judges, Kings, and the prophets. (20 marks)

5. Discuss the theme of “God’s Sovereignty over Nations” in Isaiah. (20 marks)

6. With reference to Hosea:

(a) Analyse Hosea’s marriage to Gomer: its symbolic meaning and emotional cost. (10 marks)

(b) What role does Hosea assign to mercy in Israel’s restoration? (10 marks)

7. According to Judges:

(a) Describe the cycle of sin, oppression, repentance, and deliverance in the period of the Judges. (10 marks)

(b) How might this cycle be seen in modern societal or church life? (10 marks)

8. Summarize the vision in Zechariah 4 (the golden lampstand and two olive trees). What message did it carry? (20 marks)

9. Explain how the motifs of “light” and “darkness” are used in Isaiah to contrast faithfulness and unfaithfulness. (20 marks)