THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

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ADVANCED CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION EXAMINATION

114/2 **DIVINITY 2**

(For Both School and Private Candidates)

Time : 3 Hours **Year : 2004**

Instructions

1. This paper consists of Alternative **A** and **B**. Candidates must confine themselves to either Alternative A or B.
2. Answer **five (5)** questions. Question number **one (1)** for Alternative A and question number **nine (9)** for Alternative B are 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).

ALTERNATIVE A

(The Four Gospels)

1. Briefly comment on the meaning of each of the following statements as used by Jesus.

   (a) "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." (Matthew 18:20)

   (b) "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 18:3)

   (c) "Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." (Matthew 6:34)

   (d) "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown, it is the largest of garden plants..." (Matthew 13:31-32)

   (e) "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again." (Mark 8:31)

   (f) "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." (John 14:15)

   (g) "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." (John 10:11)

   (h) "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." (Luke 22:19)

2. Describe the events of Jesus' baptism and explain how the Holy Trinity was manifested.

3. Examine the major differences between the Gospel of John and the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke).

4. Discuss the lessons Christians can learn from the healing of the paralyzed man at the Pool of Bethesda.

5. Explain the significance of Jesus' trial before Pontius Pilate and his condemnation.

6. Discuss the teachings of Jesus on wealth and possessions, drawing lessons from specific parables.

7. Describe the importance of the Great Commission in the expansion of the early church.

8. Explain the meaning of 'discipleship' in the Gospels and describe the cost of following Jesus.

ALTERNATIVE B

(The Apostolic Age)

9. Briefly comment on the meaning of each of the following statements as used in the Apostolic Age.

   (a) "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

   (b) "And it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me." (Galatians 2:20)

   (c) "For the love of Christ controls us, because we are convinced that one has died for all, therefore all have died." (2 Corinthians 5:14)

   (d) "I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called..." (Ephesians 4:1)

   (e) "And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all." (Acts 4:33)

   (f) "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." (2 Corinthians 5:17)

   (g) "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

   (h) "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control..." (Galatians 5:22-23)

10. Discuss the role of Peter and John in the early church, highlighting their healing and teaching ministries.

11. Describe the key challenges the early church faced from within the Jewish community and from the Roman Empire.

12. Explain the purpose and significance of Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

13. Discuss the importance of the first missionary journey of Paul and Barnabas in expanding the gospel to the Gentiles.

14. How did the early Christian community live and share their resources as described in the book of Acts?

15. Describe the circumstances of Stephen’s martyrdom and explain its significance to the spread of the early church.

16. Discuss the main teachings of the book of James concerning faith and works.