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COURSE CODE: CMN4123

COURSE TITLE: ISLAMIC STUDIES

EXAM DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- This paper has SIX questions.
- Answer ALL questions in Section A and ANY OTHER TWO questions in Section B.
- You are allowed to use the Bible.
- Time allowed: 2HRS

Section A: Answer ALL questions

1. (a) Mention an important event in each of the following years that happened in the life of prophet Muhammad (5 marks)
 - (i) 570 A.D
 - (ii) 595 A.D
 - (iii) 610 A.D
 - (iv) 622 A.D
 - (v) 630 A.D

(b) Describe **FIVE** factors the led to the division of Islam in its early stages of development (5 marks)
2. Discuss a significant contribution that each of the FOUR caliphs made in the spread of Islam after the death of Muhammad (10 marks).

Section B: Answer any TWO questions

3. It is argued that Islam took about 100 years to spread to many parts of the world including Africa.
 - (a) Discuss **FIVE** factors that enhanced this fast spread of Islam to Africa (5 marks)
 - (b) Explain **FIVE** relevant approaches that the church in Africa needs to initiate as missionaries' strategies to the Muslims (5 marks)
4. Islam is a religion that has greatly affected the life of its people
 - (a) Describe **FIVE** 'Pillars' that define the Muslim practices (5 marks).
 - (b) Discuss **FIVE** responses that Evangelical Christians may give to the practices you have named above (5 marks).
5. Women play a very fundamental role in almost every society and religion

- (a) Explain with **FIVE** specific examples the Qur'anic view of women (5 marks).
 - (b) Discuss **FIVE** practical ways that evangelical Christians should consider in promoting the welfare of women in our society today (5 marks).
6. Muslims hold beliefs that have shaped their worldview
- (a) Outline **FIVE** common beliefs or doctrines that are shared by the Muslims in many parts of Africa (5 marks).
 - (b) Evaluate those beliefs or doctrines in terms of their strengths and weaknesses (5 marks).