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COURSE TITLE: DISABILITIES & CHURCH MINISTRIES
EXAM DATE: THURSDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2018
TIME: (9:00AM-12:00PM)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read all questions carefully before attempting.
- **Answer Question One and any other Three**
- *Write clearly and legibly.*
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

QUESTION 1 (30Marks)-COMPULSORY

Read the biblical text below and answer the questions that follow.

John 5: 1-9

Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish festivals. ² Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades. ³ Here a great number of disabled people used to lie—the blind, the lame, the paralyzed. ⁴ ⁵ One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. ⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, “Do you want to get well?” ⁷ “Sir,” the invalid replied, “I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me.” ⁸ Then Jesus said to him, “Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.” ⁹ At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked.

- a) Describe the **Three** categories in which the three disabilities mentioned in Vs 3 fall. (6 Marks)
- b) List and briefly explain **3 (Three)** reasons why the disabled people “**used to lie**” by the pool. (6 marks)
- c) In the light of the Vs 5, “**invalid for thirty eight years**”, discuss **3 (Three)** factors that hinder persons with disabilities from accessing pastoral services in Kenya. (6 Marks).
- d) In view of Vs 7 “**I have no one to help me**”, list any **4 (Four)** types of barriers that this person faced as he attempted to get into the pool that are also common in our society today. (4 Marks)
- e) Vs 9 states “.... **He picked up his mat and walked**”. Outline any **4 (Four)** emotions that the rest of the disabled people might have experienced after one of their own was completely healed. (4 Marks)
- f) As a church leader, discuss any **2 (Two)** reasons why you think Jesus asks the question “**Do you want to**

get well?”when it was obvious the man wanted and needed healing.(4 Marks)

Section B: Answer any 3 Questions

Question 2 (10 Marks)

Leviticus 19:14 States “Do not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block in front of the blind, but fear your God. I am the Lord. In the light of this scripture, list and explain any **5 (Five)** stumbling blocks that persons with various types of disabilities are faced with in the church community.

Question 3 (10 Marks)

Micah 6:8 “He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God”. In the light of this scripture, list and briefly explain any **5 (Five)** practical steps the church can take to develop responsive ministries to persons with disabilities.

Question 4 (10 Marks)

List any **5 (Five)** cultural factors that may make a family with a disabled child experience extreme levels of stress. For each of your listed factors, suggest how the church can practically support the family in addressing it.

Question 5(10 Marks)

Examine any **5 (Five)** Christian views that can be applied regarding a person with disabilities to enhance their inclusion in the local church.