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EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

ARE 837: CHURCH HISTORY

DATE: Wednesday, 23rd August 2017

TIME: 9.00a.m-12.00p.m

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer any THREE questions

1. a) Explain how the Greco-Roman world became a facilitative environmental for the growth of the church in its infancy.
b) "Paul was a Hellenistic Jew whose background influence the rapid growth of the church". Discuss.
2. a) Analyze the main points of controversy tackled in the Jerusalem Council and the solutions arrived at.
b) Discuss the major contributions of the early church in North Africa to the universal church.
3. a) "The seed of Christianity is watered by the blood of the martyrs". Discuss with appropriate examples.
b) Explain the impact of the conversion of Constantine on the development of the church.
4. a) Discuss the main contributions of one of the following early church figures:
 - i. Tertullian
 - ii. St Anthony of Egypt
 - iii. St Jerome
 - iv. Basil the Greatb) Analyze the 12 articles of the Nicene/Apostolic Creed.
5. a) What was the contribution of monasticism in the development of the church?
b) With appropriate examples, Discuss the factors that led to the Great Schism of 1054.