



# KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2014/2015

MAY SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

### ARE 203: INTRODUCTION TO CHURCH HISTORY

DATE: THURSDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2015

TIME: 2.00 P.M. – 4.00 P.M.

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#### INSTRUCTIONS:

*ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS, AT LEAST ONE FROM EACH SECTION*

#### SECTION I

1. EITHER

- a) Analyze the religious environment at the birth of Jesus. Show clearly the major religious groups

OR b) Explain why the synagogue was important in the spread of Apostolic Christianity.

2. a) Identify and discuss causes of persecution in the early church.

- b) Evaluate the effect of persecution on the early church.

3. Give an account of the contribution of **TWO** of the following to the theology of the early church.

- 1) Tertullian
- 2) Irenaeus
- 3) Origen
- 4) Cyprian

#### SECTION II

4. Briefly discuss the following Christological controversies –

- 1) Arianism
- 2) Donatism

5. **EITHER**

- a) Analyze the contributions of Jerome to Western monasticism

**OR**

- b) Evaluate the factors that contributed to the spread of Protestantism in Europe between 1815 and 1914.

6. **EITHER**

- (a) (i) Identify and discuss the factors that led to the Reformation in the Catholic Church.

- (ii) What were the results of this Reformation?

**OR**

- (b) (i) Define Ecumenism

- (ii) Analyze the importance of Ecumenism in the modern world.

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