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# COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, THEOLOGY, HUMANITIES AND EDUCATION

## **INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

THC304 INTRODUCTION TO THE ECUMENICAL MOVEMENT

### END OF SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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### **DURATION: 48 HRS**

**INSTRUCTIONS** 

- 1. Do not write your name on the answer sheet.
- 2. Answer ONE question.
- 3. Each question carries 100 marks
- 4. Credit is given for neat, well written and lucid work.

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- 1. A number of Ecumenical Councils have discussed the meaning and purpose of ecumenical dialogue.
  - a) From the deliberations of any **four** Ecumenical Councils, you have studied for this paper give a critical description of your understanding of the meaning and purpose of ecumenism. [30]
  - b) In the light of your understanding of ecumenism in a) above, elaborate on what you think should be the work of the Ecumenical Movement. [30]
  - c) Evaluate the contribution of Ecumenical Movement to contemporary debates on poverty, unity, justice & peace and gender issues in your country. [40]
- 2. 'Despite more than a century of Ecumenical efforts and engagement, we can only talk of fragile ecumenism'.
  - a) Provide a critique of the statement above. [30]
  - b) Evaluate the spirit of the Ecumenical Movement from Edinburgh 1910 to the formation of the World Council of Churches in 1948. [30]
  - c) From what you have learnt in class about the ideas of Thomas Oden and David K, Yemba and what you have studied about the activities of the Christian Councils in your country, give a critical projection of the future of the Ecumenical Movement in Africa. [40]
- 3. The emergence of African Initiated Churches and New Religious Movements on the African Continent seems to have changed the configuration of the Ecumenical Movement.
  - a) Briefly describe your understanding of the statement above. [20]
  - b) Analyze the factors that have led to the establishment of any African Independent Church or New Religious Movement of your choice. [40]
  - c) Examine how the establishment of the Church or Movement in b) has affected the Ecumenical Movement. [40]

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