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**NTCS507 AFRICAN POLITICAL ETHICS: INDIGENOUS RELIGION AND
DEMOCRACY**

END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: 24 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Do not write your name on the answer sheet.
2. Answer **ONE** question.
3. Marks for each question are indicated.
4. Credit is given for neat, well written and lucid work.

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1. Religion is a special agent of social transformation and change in Africa:

- a) With the aid of examples, explain how religion contributes to political transformation in your country. [30]
- b) With reference to a) above discuss the task of religion in the development of democracy in Africa. [30]
- c) Imagine, you have been appointed as chairperson of the council of churches in your country, give a critical summary of your maiden speech in which you will be addressing the problem of injustice and corruption in the church. [40]

2. The practice of democracy is part of everyday life of the society. Imagine you are the key speaker in a conference on the topic church and democracy in the Africa:

- a) With reference to examples, explain the importance of democracy to the church and to society in general. [30]
- b) With reference to one denomination of your choice, examine to what extent the church is democratic in her governing system. [30]
- c) Using relevant examples, discuss the church as a critical arm of the society, which provides structures and means to propagate a better understanding of democracy in your society. [40]

3. Leadership in both church and national politics apply democracy within the provision of their contexts:

- a) Discuss the similarities and differences between the church's practice of democracy on one hand, and state's practice of democracy on the other hand. [50]
- b) With the use of practical examples, examine the possible role of the church in influencing democratic principles and national politics in your country. [50]

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