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**NTCH 211 EARLY CHURCH HISTORY**

**END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

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**DURATION: 3 HOURS**

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***INSTRUCTIONS***

1. Answer **ANY THREE (3)** questions.
2. Start each question on a new page in your booklet.
3. All questions carry equal marks.
4. Credit will be awarded for legible, logical, systematic and neat presentation.
5. Do not repeat material.

**INSTRUCTION: Answer ANY THREE (3) questions.**

**Question 1**

Assess the charges/criticisms leveled against Christianity by critics during its infancy and the defense of Christianity by Christian apologists. **[100marks]**

**Question 2**

Elaborate on the factors which made the Roman Empire favourable for the growth of Christianity. **[100marks]**

**Question 3**

Without Emperor Constantine, Christianity would not have been what it is today. Discuss. **[100marks]**

**Question 4**

‘The blood of martyrs is the seed of the Church’ (Tertullian). Discuss. **[100marks]**

**Question 5**

Discuss the contributions of the Church Fathers in the development of early Christian Doctrine. **[100marks]**

**Question 6**

“For though alive, it is with a passion for death that I am writing to you. My Desire has been crucified and there burns in me no passion for material things.” (Ignatius of Antioch). Assess the readiness to lay down one’s life for Christ’s sake in today’s church vis-a-vis in the early church. **[100marks]**

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