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**COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, THEOLOGY, HUMANITIES AND
EDUCATION**

NTPT570 PASTORAL CARE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILIES

END OF SEMESTER 1 EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: 5 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Do NOT write your name on the answer sheet.
2. Answer One Question
3. Credit will be given for neat, well-written and lucid work.

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1. You are asked to give a presentation at a church organized conference on Gender based violence.
 - a) Explain, using relevant examples, ways in which spousal beating has been seen as being a challenge to pastoral care. **[20]**
 - b) Generate a statement for your district family conference in which you debate how secrecy and silence perpetuates intimate partner violence and how this can be dealt with. **[40]**
 - c) Generate a report in which you use any four [4] principles of ethical conduct to chat the role of the church in reducing gender based violence. **[40]**
2. Read the vignette (brief episode) below and respond to the questions provided

Jamal and Chipso visited your office to talk about an increasing level of conflict that they have been having in their relationship. They have been married for five years and have two children. They have explained to you that their religion is a central part in their relationship. Jamal has been growing increasingly concerned that Chipso is not adhering to their traditional religious practices for a woman, while Chipso complains that Jamal is becoming too strict and imposing rules that are meant to keep her from performing her job as a nurse at a local hospital. Jamal states that he is merely applying the tenets of his faith as outlined in the Scriptures. Chipso argues that she is a faithful wife, but that she also is a woman living in the 21st century ('Not the 13th century!'). You are unsure of how to define whether this is an issue of a wife dealing with an overbearing husband, or a conflict over differing interpretations of cultural and religious standards by two adult individuals.

- a) Using your understanding of both the systems theories in family care and the functions of pastoral care, demonstrate how would you handle this case and help care for this family. **[30]**
 - b) On top of using knowledge from systems therapy, demonstrate how you would integrate biblical principles in a responsible, eclectic manner, to assist Jamal and Chipso to resolve their conflict. **[30]**
 - c) Design a one-day seminar for couples like Jamal and Chipso, giving a rationale for each of the items included in the seminar and ways in which the seminar may strengthen marriages such as this one. **[40]**
3. Using the information, you learned about the importance of a genogram when caring for families
 - a) Draw a genogram from your family patterns and relationships, and process the information into pastoral care intervention and counseling goals. **[30]**
 - b) Assess the extent to which an understanding of Gottman's Four Horsemen of Apocalypse can enable your family to handle some troubling patterns and dysfunctional themes that you have identified on your genogram. **[30]**
 - c) Using information in a) above, demonstrate ways in which you can modify any one of the counseling theories and techniques, to make them culturally appropriate for African couples and families. **[40]**

THE END