THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL ADVANCED CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION EXAMINATION

114/2 DIVINITY 2

(For Both School and Private Candidates)

Time: 3 Hours Year: 2002

Instructions

- 1. This paper consists of Alternative A and B. Candidates must confine themselves to either Alternative A or B.
- 2. Answer five (5) questions. Question number one (1) for Alternative A and question number nine (9) for Alternative B are compulsory.
- 3. Each question carries twenty (20) marks.
- 4. Bibles and other unauthorised materials are **not** allowed in the examination room.
- 5. Write your **Examination Number** on every page of your answer booklet(s).



ALTERNATIVE A

(The Four Gospels)

- 1. Briefly comment on the meaning of each of the following statements as used by Jesus.
 - (a) "And if a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand." (Mark 3:24)
 - (b) "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 5:3)
 - (c) "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon." (Matthew 6:24)
 - (d) "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid; and in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." (Matthew 13:44)
 - (e) "The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45)
 - (f) "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst." (John 6:35)
 - (g) "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me." (John 14:6)
 - (h) "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid." (Matthew 5:14)
- 2. Discuss the main reasons why Jesus used parables in His teaching ministry.
- 3. Explain the meaning of the word "Messiah" and discuss the different expectations people had of Jesus during His ministry.
- 4. Describe the events of the Transfiguration of Jesus Christ and explain its significance to the disciples.
- 5. Identify and explain the moral lessons from the parable of the Good Samaritan.
- 6. Explain the significance of the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist.

- 7. What were the main themes of the Sermon on the Mount, and how did Jesus' teachings challenge the traditional Jewish law?
- 8. Discuss the role of women in the ministry of Jesus, giving specific examples from the Gospels.

ALTERNATIVE B

(The Apostolic Age)

- 9. Briefly comment on the meaning of each of the following statements as used in the Apostolic Age.
 - (a) "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth." (Acts 1:8)
 - (b) "For we walk by faith, not by sight." (2 Corinthians 5:7)
 - (c) "But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the all-surpassing power is from God and not from us." (2 Corinthians 4:7)
 - (d) "I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." (Romans 1:16)
 - (e) "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." (Galatians 3:28)
 - (f) "So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love." (1 Corinthians 13:13)
 - (g) "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him." (James 1:5)
 - (h) "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that you may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." (1 Peter 2:9)
- 10. Discuss the role of persecution in the growth and spread of the early church.
- 11. Describe the events of the first Christian Pentecost and explain its significance for the apostles.

- 12. Explain the reasons for the Jerusalem Council and describe the decisions made by the apostles and elders.
- 13. Describe the circumstances of Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus and how it changed his mission.
- 14. Discuss the challenges faced by Paul in his missionary journeys and how he overcame them.
- 15. Explain the importance of the leadership of the apostles, especially Peter, in the early church as described in the book of Acts.
- 16. Describe the contributions of two of Paul's letters to the Christian teachings of the Apostolic Age.