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

(For Both School and Private candidates)

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Instructions

- 1. This paper consists of sections A, B and C with a total of thirteen (13) questions.
- 2. Answer **all** questions in section **A**, and **two** (5) questions from section **B** and two questions from section **C**.
- 3. Question 3 and 4 are Compulsory.

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- 4. Cellular phones, Bibles and any unathorized materials are **not** allowed in the examination room.
- 5. Write your **Examination Number** on every page of your answer booklet (s)

SECTION A (25 marks)

Answer all questions in this section

- 1. Choose the correct answer from among the given alternatives and write its letter in the answer booklet(s) provided.
 - i) As human beings, how do we differ from the rest of animals indicated in the creation story (Genesis 1:1-2:25)?
 - A. Human beings have will power while the rest of the animals have not.
 - B. The rest of animals have intellect while human beings have not.
 - C. The rest of animals are created in God's image while human beings are not
 - D. Human beings are created similar to each other while animals are not.
 - E. The rest of animals have thinking ability while human beings are not.
 - ii) If you were in the same situation as Cain and God warned you about the sin before you committed it, what would you avoid in order to remain safe from committing sin?
 - A. Self-exalting
 - B. Jealousy
 - C. Desire
 - D. Anger
 - E. Self- rejection.
 - iii) How can you describe Abraham in few words?
 - A. A holy man of all nations.
 - B. A man of old age who talked to God.
 - C. A good father to his children.
 - D. A father of faith and exalted father.

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- E. A father of Jacob, Isaac and Esau.
- iv) In Genesis 29:31-35, the roots of Israel started with children born to Leah. Each child had a name with its meaning being connected to thanking God for His greatness. What do you think could be the reason for thanking God for each child who was born?
 - A. Rachel could claim Leah's children to hers, so Leah needed God's protection.
 - B. The husband's love was to Rachel; God gave Leah babies by a man with no love.
 - C. It was the custom for women in the Near East to thank God when she got a baby.
 - D. Since she was unloved, thanking God would save her from being divorced
 - E. In Jewish tradition, each child was from God, therefore, thanking Him was must.
- v) According to Exodus 12:43-51, the Israelites were given rules on how to celebrate the Passover Feast. What was the important condition for the bought slaves to celebrate the Passover?
 - A. Application
 - B. Circumcision
 - C. Consecration
 - D. Honesty
 - E. Neatness.
- vi) While in the Desert of Sin, God gave manna to Hebrews. How did the Israelites see God in this miracle?
 - A. The creator and controller of the earth.
 - B. The saviour of all forms of human life.

- C. The merciful provider of our wants.
- D. The loving and responsive father.
- E. The conscientious and almighty creator
- vii) What would have happened if the order of Joshua to the twelve tribes of Israel to take up stones and pass on before the ark, would not have taken place?
 - A. The Israelites would be defeated in war.
 - B. God would have punished the twelve tribes of Israel.
 - C. Joshua would be very angry.
 - D. The children of Israel would not remember what happened.
 - E. The ark of the covenant would be destroyed.
- viii) "So the dead whom he slew at his death were more than those whom he had slain during his life" (Judges 16:30). What gave Samson power to be able to push the pillars and cause the building to fall and kill many Philistines?
 - A. The prayer he made and the assistance of a boy near him.
 - B. The prayer he made and his hair that began to grow.
 - C. The prayer he made and the assistance from Dagon god of Philistines.
 - D. The prayer he made and the assistance from Delilah his wife.
 - E. The prayer he made and the assistance from his fellow Israelites
- ix) "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; ..."

 (Acts 1:8). In what manner is the kind of "power" insisted by this quotation demonstrated in the church today?
 - A. Witchcraft, courage and ability.
 - B. Witchcraft, sorcery and courage.
 - C. Courage, ability and authority.

- D. Sorcery, authority and ability.
- E. Courage, authority and witchcraft
- x) Which of the following life style differentiates the modern Christian communities from early Christian community?
 - A. Praying together in the church and in homes.
 - B. Having a strong sense of unity between families.
 - C. Breaking bread in each other's house every day.
 - D. Living together and having all things in common.
 - E. Devoting themselves to the apostolic teachings.
- xi) As Bible reader, what major lesson do you learn from the story of Ananias and Sapphira lying about the proceeds of the land they sold and the punishment they got according to Acts 5:1-11?
 - A. It is right to lie if you do not give to God.
 - B. It is not right to support a lie to God.
 - C. It is not right to lie to men and to God.
 - D. It is better to lie and be punished before God.
 - E. It is better to lie and not be punished before God.
- xii) On his way to Damascus, Saul was confronted by the risen Christ and that was the beginning of his call to follow him. What was Ananias role in the call of Saul?
 - A. He helped Saul to receive the communion.
 - B. He helped Saul to receive the Holy Spirit.
 - C. He helped Saul to receive confirmation.
 - D. He helped Saul to receive affirmation.
 - E. He helped Saul to receive strength.
- xiii) When Paul and Barnabas healed a crippled man, the crowd suggested that their gods had visited them in the likeness of men. What was the name of

god that was given to Paul?
A. Artemis
B. Ashera
C. Diana
D. Hermes
E. Zeus.
xiv) It is said that, the building of the tower of Babel was made easy by
technological advancement. Which technology was applied?
A. Making bricks.
B. Drawing skyscraping.
C. Use of tar.
D. Deep foundations.
E. Melting by fire.
xv) Which motive prompted Moses to kill the Egyptian who was beating a
Hebrew?
A. Concern
B. Discrimination
C. Hatred
D. Opposition
E. Overconfidence
xvi) When it was reported to Pharaoh that the Israelites had left, Pharaoh
decided to follow them. What happened to Pharaoh's horsemen, army and
chariots?

B. They escaped and went in the upper Egypt.

A. They died in the sea shore and scattered in the sands.

- C. They ran away fearing the fast moving water.
- D. They were swept by water, drowned and died in the sea.

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- E. They stuck in the mud and Moses killed them.
- xvii) God fulfilled his promise by choosing Joshua as Moses" successor and leader of the Israelites. What was the end goal of Joshua's leadership?
 - A. Inheritance of the Promised Land.
 - B. Remembrance of the promise of God.
 - C. Fighting against their enemies.
 - D. Acceptance of Joshua as their new leader.
 - E. Forgetting Moses as their past leader.
- xviii) In the book of Judges, Deborah was the only woman to be raised to the position of prophetess and judge. If the situation in the book of Judges is improved, what would you consider to be the situation in Tanzania about women involvement in politics today?
 - A. Few women are actively involved in politics.
 - B. Majority of women are to be involved in politics.
 - C. Women are not involved in politics.
 - D. Women are really involved in politics.
 - E. The culture does not allow women to involve in politics
- xix) What did the multitudes do in connection with the signs and wonders which were done among His people through Acts. 5:12-16?
 - A. They came to receive the Holy Spirit and offerings from Peter and other apostles.
 - B. They brought the sick and those that were afflicted with bad spirits for healing.
 - C. They hated the apostles and did not listen to them at all.
 - D. They were baptized by the Holy Spirit and remained silent most of their time.
 - E. They caused a conflict between the apostles and rulers of Jerusalem.

- xx) During the persecution of believers in Jerusalem, Philip the deacon went down to the city of Samaria and preached about Jesus Christ and many believed Him including the person called Magus. Which group of people does Magus represent?
 - A. Witchdoctors
 - B. Magicians
 - C. Sorcerers
 - D. Demoniacs
 - E. Diviners.
- 2. Match the description about people in the book of Exodus in List A with their corresponding names in List B by writing the letter of the correct response beside the item number.

LIST A	LIST B
i) A person who made defensive	A. Aaron
mechanism with fear that an enemy	B. Eleazar
would rise from inside.	
ii) A person whose life was protected in	C. Gershom
order to be the voice of the voiceless.	D. Jochebed
iii) A person whose father liberated Israel	E. Moses
from Egyptian cruelty.	
iv) A person who was appointed to be a	F. Pharaoh
speaker on behalf of another person	G. Zipporah
v) A person whose husband was rescued	
from death by the circumcision of one	
of his sons.	

SECTION B (45 Marks)

Answer **five (5)** questions from this section

- 3. According to the book of Genesis,
 - i) In which form was the earth when God created the heavens and earth (Genesis 1:2)?
 - ii) It is said that all creatures including human beings were equally blessed by God. Justify the statement showing how God had blessed them.
 - iii) In your opinion, what human deeds or behaviour do you think is against God's blessings for their multiplication? (Give one point).
- 4. According to Acts 9:1-31, Saul had permission of going to different places so as to bring both men and women to Jerusalem for persecution.
 - i) What happened to him when he was near Damascus?
 - ii) In Damascus, Saul suffered for three days until Ananias was sent to help him. Identify three sufferings that Saul experienced.
 - iii) What did Jesus mean by asking Saul, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"
- 5. The Pharisees added many rules to the Law of Moses; however, they insisted more on three laws about how to behave in their community.
 - i) Briefly explain who the Pharisees were.
 - ii) Mention three laws which insisted on how the Pharisees should behave in their community.
 - iii) Identify one belief and teaching of the Pharisees which is similar to the belief and teaching of the church today.
- 6. The birth of Jesus Christ is different from any other normal human birth and was shadowed by different events including that of census decree as shown in Matthew 1:18-2:12
 - i) Why was it important for Jesus to be born from a virgin mother?

- ii) What was the reason behind the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem?
- iii) What might have happened if the wise men had not departed to their country by another way?
- 7. ; "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 19:14).
 - i) Identify three types of behaviour which show that children are fit for the kingdom of God.
 - ii) What should the parents do to make sure that children become a blessing in the family? (Give three points).
 - iii) Basing on the event, why do you think the parents should bring the children to Jesus?
- 8. Luke 22:66-23:26, portrays the way in which leaders fail to uphold justice in the society.
 - i) List down categories of people who acted as judges when the assembly held Jesus into custody.
 - ii) As a reader of the Bible, show how Jesus is wrongly accused in our real life situations.
 - iii) Leaders" failure to uphold justice in the society may lead to mob justice.

 Analyse the socio-economic effects of mob justice in your society.
- 9. "It is written, "My house shall be called a house of prayer"; but you have made it a den of robbers" (Luke 19:46).
 - i) Briefly explain the story behind the quotation.
 - ii) In what way may the Church today be used as a den of robbers?
 - iii) What lesson do you get from the context of this text?
- 10. Luke 8:1-15 where there is a detailed account of the parable of the sower.
 - i) Summarise the parable in your own words.
 - ii) what do the words "sower," "seed" and "soil" stand for in the parable of the

sower which you have summarised?

iii) Why is the parable relevant to Christian life today?

SECTION C (30 marks)

Answer two (2) questions from this section

- 11. Refer to the story of Abram and Lot separating because of strife of their herdsmen recorded in the book of Genesis 13:1-18, to show how they can help the society live in peace and harmony.
- 12. After the entire nation had crossed the Jordan, the Lord ordered Joshua to choose twelve men from each tribe and instructed them to take twelve stones from the midst of Jordan, where priests" feet 58 stood (Joshua 4:1-24). In four points, explain the meaning of Joshua's instruction of taking twelve stones.
- 13. In Acts 8 and 9 we read how persecution of the disciples enabled the word of God to be preached from Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria. Those who had been scattered went about preaching the word of God. Analyse the persecutions facing the church today by giving four relevant points.