

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

1ST SEMESTER 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)**

RELI 212: INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN HISTORY

STREAM: R

TIME: 2 HRS

DAY: WED [2.30PM – 4.30PM]

DATE: 07/12/2022

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF THREE (3) PAGES

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INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question one and any other two.**QUESTION ONE**

a) Explain briefly the following concepts used in the study of Christian History: -

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| (i) Didache | (2 marks) |
| (ii) Monasticism | (2 marks) |
| (iii) Ante-Nicaen Era | (2 marks) |
| (iv) Sarcedotal Acts | (2 marks) |
| (v) Caesaropapism | (2 marks) |

(b) Outline **five** events that took place on the Day of Pentecost as recorded in Acts of Apostles 2:5-11. (5 marks)

(c) State **four** problems experienced by the early Christian community recorded in Acts of Apostles. (4 marks)

(d) Highlight **three** contributions of St. Anthony the great (251-256 A.D) to the church in Egypt. (3 marks)

(e) Outline **five** causes of Barbarian Invasion in the Roman Empire. (5 marks)

(f) in which **three** ways did Greek philosophy contribute to development and spread of Christianity in the Roman Empire. (3 marks)

QUESTION TWO

(a) Describe the persecution of Christians in the Roman Empire between 64AD and 311AD. (10 marks)

(b) State **six** reasons why various Roman Governors Persecuted Christians before the edict of Milan in 311A.D (6 marks)

(c) Give **four** ways in which the state oppresses the church in Kenya today. (4 marks)

QUESTION THREE

(a) Discuss the Religious beliefs and practices of the Early Jerusalem Community of believers. (12 marks)

(b) Explain **four** Socio-economic contribution of the church in Kenya to the society. (8 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- (a) Discuss the Donatist Controversy in Church in North Africa following the Diocletian persecution of Christian in 303 A.D. (14 marks)
- (b. Explain any **three** theological problems facing the church in Kenya today. (6 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- (a) Analyze the political contributions of the Roman Government in the spread of Christianity in the 1st Century A.D (12 marks)
- (b) Examine **four** reasons that account for the rapid spread of the Christian faith in Kenya Today. (8 marks)

QUESTION SIX

- (a) Discuss **four** basic teachings of Arius on the Subject of Godhead. (8 marks)
- (b) Describe the major teachings of Gnosticism. (12 marks)

