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COURSE CODE: BTH3333

COURSE TITLE: CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION & RECONCILIATION

EXAM DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- Write your **STUDENT NUMBER** in the Answer Booklet given
- This paper has six questions.

SECTION A

1. Genesis 2:20 – 3:24 tells of how Adam and Eve lived a good life in the Garden of Eden, and how they sinned against God and were thrown out of this beautiful garden.

a. Describe how their sin caused intra-personal, inter-personal and inter-group conflict then and even in the world today. **[3 marks]**
b. Describe how the ministry of reconciliation [2 Corinthians 5:11-6:13] helps to resolve this conflict. **[3 marks]**
c. With the backdrop of *Gashasha* courts of Rwanda, discuss two ways in which forgiveness becomes a resource for conflict transformation. **[4 marks]**

2. Conflict transformation and reconciliation are more effective when the community is involved in the process.

a. Distinguish between Restorative and Retributive justice systems. Use an example for each as necessary. [**2 marks]**
b. Using two examples of your choice, illustrate benefits of including women and youth in conflict resolution in communities for lasting peace. **[4 marks]**
c. Discuss four practical ways in which the church can lead the community in making peace with the earth for posterity. **[4 marks]**

SECTION B

3. Conflict happens where there is a lack of awareness. Ken Sande discusses 'Relational Wisdom' as a way to prevent the start and escalation of conflict.

a. With this in mind, discuss the terms 'God aware', 'Self-aware' and 'Other aware'. **[6 marks]**
b. Highlight four ways in which relational wisdom can be applied to transform conflict and bring reconciliation among communities feuding along boundary lines. **[4 marks]**

4. Acts 15:36–41 shows the conflict between Paul and Barnabas over John Mark.

a. Discuss two examples of how this narration mirrors conflict in the church today. **[4 marks]**

b. Using appropriate examples, illustrate how the portrait of 'Barnabas as a Peace Maker' can help transform the conflicts between the various people demographics found in churches. **[6 marks]**

5. The United Nations is active in helping to maintain peace within nations of the world. What are the five elements she underscores in her quest to help prevent conflict and sustain peace? **[10 marks]**

6. Using appropriate examples, evaluate the role of religion in peacebuilding and conflict resolution in Africa. **[10 marks]**