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UNIT CODE: CRE 121 UNIT TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO CHURCH HISTORY I

DATE: AUGUST 2011

MAIN EXAM

TIME: 2HRS

ANSWER ONE QUESTION IN SECTION A AND TWO QUESTIONS IN SECTION B

SECTION A

- 1)** (a) "The study of the church is important to us today." How true is this statement? (10marks)
(b) What role did the Roman Empire play in the growth and expansion of the church? (10marks)
(c) Explain the areas of conflict between Judaism and Christianity (10marks)

SECTION B:

- 2)** (a) Describe the circumstances under which monasticism came into existence (10marks)
(b) Highlight the negative aspects of monastic movements in the early ages (10marks)
- 3)** (a) Evaluate the reasons for the continuity and increased flourishing of Christianity in spite of the persecution (10marks)
(b) Analyse the reasons behind the great persecution of Christians in the early church (10marks)
- 4)** (a) Discuss the efforts made by Constantine towards the restoration of the early church (10marks)
(b) What are the effects of Constantine's reign and his consequent reformations in the early church? (10marks)
- 5)** (a) Define the following terms:
i) Apologetics (2marks)
ii) Heresies (2marks)
iii) Persecution (2marks)
iv) Martyr (2marks)
(b) Identify five forms of Christian persecution today (12marks)