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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER, JULY 2011

TITLE OF PAPER : CHRISTIAN ETHICS II

COURSE CODE : TRS 203/IDE-TRS 203

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

MARKS : 75

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. CHOOSE AND ANSWER ANY **THREE (3)** QUESTIONS.
2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES **25** MARKS.
3. BEGIN EACH QUESTION ON A FRESH PAGE.
4. PARTS OF A QUESTION MAY BE ANSWERED ON THE SAME PAGE, ALLOWING FOR A SPACE OF THREE LINES IN BETWEEN.
5. CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN FOR CLARITY, ACCURACY AND GOOD THEOLOGICAL INSIGHT.

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QUESTION ONE

Elton John - Elton's Baby Fulfils 'Greatest Wish'

SIR ELTON JOHN has spoken of his joy at becoming a first-time father, insisting the arrival of his baby son has fulfilled his long-time wish to become a parent. The 63-year-old singer and his partner David Furnish welcomed little Zachary Jackson Levon on Christmas Day (25Dec10) via a surrogate mother. The Rocket Man reveals he began making plans to start a family after the couple was denied the chance to adopt a child called Lev and his brother Artyom from the Ukraine in 2009. And he is delighted to have finally achieved the dream of becoming a dad following the birth of baby Zachary.

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Considering the Christian ethical principles you have studied on biomedical parenting, would you approve the above action?

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QUESTION TWO

Define a living- together arrangement relationship. How far does the argument supporting this type of family relationships remain convincing despite its weaknesses?

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QUESTION THREE

Critically examine the traditional approach of the Roman Catholic Church on artificial insemination.

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QUESTION FOUR

Clearly evaluate the claim that Christian ethical principles are the best approach in justifying killing in war.

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QUESTION FIVE

Identify the relationship between prejudice and discrimination. Consider your own context and discuss how a minority group is discriminated either in education or in employment.

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QUESTION 6

The unemployment rate in Swaziland is high; it is estimated at 40%. Suppose an industry proposes to build a manufacturing plant in your area that will employ many people but pollute the atmosphere. Will you encourage or oppose the industry in implementing its proposal? Justify your position.

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