

**MODERATED**



**EAST**

**FINAL EXAMINATION**

**SCHOOL OF BIBLE AND THEOLOGY**

**BURUBURU CAMPUS**

**FIRST SEMESTER, 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN**

**BIBLICAL STUDIES**

**BIBLICAL EXEGESIS OF 1 CORINTHAINS**

**COURSE CODE: BLG 4243**

**(FORM A)**

**STREAM:**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**EXAMINATION SESSION: NOV/DEC**

**YEAR: 2025/26/1**

**DAY [ ]**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Attempt ALL the questions in **Section A**
2. Attempt any **Two** questions in **Section B**
3. The entire exam is worth forty (40) marks.
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## **SECTION A (20 Marks) – COMPULSORY QUESTIONS**

### **Question One**

Corinth was the major cosmopolitan city in the ancient world. Paul visited the City in his second missionary journey and established the church. He later wrote to the Corinthians to address some internal problems within the church.

- a) Discuss major features that made Corinth famous in the ancient world. (3 marks)
- b) Summarize the main reasons why Paul wrote 1 Corinthians, indicating the year the letter was written and Paul's location at the time of writing the letter. (5 Marks)
- c) Analyze the moral, religious and intellectual climate of Corinth and how this affected the church. (5 marks)
- d) Outline the warnings that Paul gave to the Corinthians in regards to eating at the Temple of idols and the advice he gave concerning meat sold in market places. (5 marks)
- e) Assess the most crucial hermeneutical point for today's church drawn from 1 Corinthians 11:2-16' (2 marks)

## **SECTION B (20 MARKS) – ATTEMPT ANY TWO QUESTIONS, EACH QUESTION IS WORTH 10 MARKS**

### **Question Two**

Any congregation is affected by its locale. It will either reject or assimilate the characteristics of its surroundings.

- a) Discuss how the Corinthian Church embraced the culture of its city rather than reject it. (5 marks)
- b) Explain how this contributed to the Corinthians' missing the way of the cross and instead substituted a false theology of glory in personalities. (5 marks)

### **Question Three**

Lawsuits among the believers in Corinth

- a) Discuss the reasons why Paul advised the Corinthians not to take their disagreements to secular courts (1 Corinthians 6:1-11). (5 marks)
- b) Evaluate if the advice is relevant and can be used as a model to settle disputes amongst the members of your church. (5 marks)

**Question Four**

Spiritual Gifts

- a) Outline Paul’s practical advice to the Corinthians on the use of spiritual gifts and how this connects with Chapter 13 about “love” (1 Corinthians 12-14). (4 marks)
- b) Describe the rules laid down by Paul for the use of tongues in a public worship service. (3 marks)
- c) Reflect on how the congregation in your church can “weigh carefully” what is spoken in a prophecy (1 Cor.14:29) (3 marks)

**Question Five**

In 1 Corinthians 15, Paul focuses on the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the future resurrection of believers while in Chapter 16:1-4, he concludes the letter with practical instructions on giving.

- a) Discuss the three metaphors Paul uses in explaining the relationship between the present body and the future body (1 Corinthian 15:35-44) (6 marks)
- b) Consider the advice on the collection for the poor saints in Jerusalem given by Paul, which ensured the process was transparent and beyond (Chapter 16:1-4).
  - i) Reflect on Paul’s instructions and the principles church leaders can learn on enhancing transparency and accountability in church collections. (2 marks)
  - ii) Conclude on how you intend to relate the knowledge acquired in this course to KAG East University’s mission (2 marks)

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## SECTION A (20 Marks) – COMPULSORY QUESTIONS

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### Question One

- a) Highlight three significant features of Corinth and the moral character of people. (5 marks)
- b) Explain what occasioned the oral report in 1 Corinthians Chapter 1 (4 marks)
- c) Discuss Paul's statement "if anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him". (1 Corinthians 3:16-17) (3 marks)
- d) Discuss why Paul told the Corinthians to "flee from idolatry" (1 Corinthians 10:14) (3 marks)
- e) Discuss the main point of Paul's argument in 1 Corinthians 15:35-58? (5 marks)

## SECTION B (20 MARKS) – ATTEMPT ANY TWO QUESTIONS, EACH QUESTION IS WORTH 10 MARKS)

### Question Two

Paul visited Corinth during his 2<sup>nd</sup> missionary and established the church.

- f) Summarize two main reasons why Paul wrote 1 Corinthians, indicating the year the letter was written and Paul's location at the time of writing the letter. (5 Marks)
- g) Analyze the moral, religious and intellectual climate of Corinth and how this affected the church. (5 marks)

### Question Three

- a) Consider the Historical background of Corinth and 1 Corinthians chapters 1 -4, and outline two reasons why Paul considers the Corinthian Christians "immature" (1 Corinthians 3:1). (5 marks)
- b) Explain how this contributed to the Corinthians' missing the way of the cross and instead substituted a false theology of glory in personalities. (5 marks)

#### **Question Four**

The Corinthians wrote to Paul on matters concerning marriage, divorce and remarriage.

- a) Argue whether the unbelieving partner is saved/born again or not because of a believing partner'  
*“For the unbelieving husband has been sanctified through his wife, and the unbelieving wife has been sanctified through her believing husband”* (1 Cor. 7:13-14).  
(5 marks)
- b) Analyze how the children are made holy by the fact that one parent is a believer.  
*“Otherwise your children would be unclean, but as it is, they are holy.”* (1 Cor. 7:14)  
(5 marks)

#### **Question Five**

- a) Outline two ways the believers in Corinth were not in line with their new life in Christ and as a body of Christ. (1 Cor. 11:17-34)  
(5 marks)
- b) Asses the rules laid down by Paul for the use of tongues in a public worship service.  
(5 marks)

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