

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA, ABUJA Plot 91, Cadastral Zone, Nnamdi Azikwe Express Way, Jabi-Abuja

FACULTY OF ARTS October/November Examinations 2016

Course Code: CTH 852

Course Title: Social Theories of Religion

Credit Unit:

3

Time Allowed: 3 hrs

Instruction: Answer question one and any other two questions

- 1. Define new religious movements and discuss the different types of new religious movements in Nigeria (30 marks)
- 2. Discuss Karl Marx's position on the function of religion in the society and make a critique of it (20 marks)
- 3. Examine the significance of Emile Durkheim theory of religion in contemporary society (20 Marks)
- 4. How is Auguste Comte's theory of religion different from Max Weber's position on the role of religion in contemporary Nigerian society? (20 marks)
- 5. Analyze Sigmund Freud's theory of religion and its significance in contemporary society (20 arks)