ANNEXURE I

Interview Questions

1. What is the role of the elderly people in the family when there is a traditional Zulu wedding?

2. What is the role of the elderly people in the family when there is a funeral that is conducted according to Zulu culture?

3. What is the role of socialization of children in relation to the Zulu traditional religion?

4. Why are African traditions not given international status in Africa?

5. How do you describe the concept “ubuntu”?

6. What role do you think Mvelinqangi/God plays in your life?

7. How do different believers or religious people describe God?

8. What are the roles of witchdoctors/izinyanga in a society?

9. Describe the different types of witchdoctors and their functions.

10. Why is marriage emphasized in African culture?

11. Why are the children, particularly boys, important in Zulu (African) marriage?

12. What role do the ancestors play in Zulu culture?

13. What rituals are regarded as important in a traditional African marriage or wedding and in death?
14. What myths are viewed as the cause of death in Zulu religion?

15. How does the spirit of the dead person connect to the relevant spirit or shades?

16. What is the status of women in Zulu culture/religion?

17. Describe the status of African Religion in comparison with world religions e.g. Christianity and Islam?