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Mahatma Gandhi Hospital commemorates Nurses Day



Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Hospital nurses commemorating International Nurses Day

Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Hospital commemorated Nurses Day on 30 May 2018.

This is the day which is celebrated around the world to mark the contributions nurses make to the society. The theme of the day was **“Nurses a voice to lead - Health is a human right”**

Dr. LJ Sobekwa, CEO welcomed the guests with warm hands and commended nurses for their good work and encouraged them to be proud of themselves.

Mrs SOS Mbatha, Acting Nursing Manager outlined the purpose of the day as to acknowledge the good work done by the nurses.

She motivated them to follow on the steps of Florence Nightingale who sacrificed the wealth of her family and dedicated her life to serve society with love and compassion.

The speaker of the day, Mrs C Sosibo, Director: Nursing Services requested nurses to be proud of themselves because this is a chosen profession. She explained that the nursing profession is a calling and a principle of life, as nurses are the ones who are chosen to save God's creation.

She explained that nurses are always there in every human's lifetime as they are available during the birth and death. She encouraged nurses to always strive for excellence when executing their duties.

Mrs C. Sosibo explained that South African citizens are entitled to quality health care and it is their right which is enshrined in the constitution of the country. She encouraged nurses to always serve patients with a smile irrespective of their backgrounds.

Pastor A Chita, Hospital Chaplain motivated nurses to meet the patients' needs like the Lord Jesus Christ in the bible.

MGMH nurses reciting Nurses Pledge during the International Nurses Day



Nurses Pledge

I solemnly pledge myself to the service of humanity and will endeavor to practice my profession with conscience and with dignity. I will maintain, by all means in my power, the honour and noble tradition of my profession.

The total health of my patients will be my first consideration.

I will hold in confidence all personal matters coming to my knowledge.

I will not permit consideration of religion, nationality, race or social standing to intervene between my duty and my patient.

I will maintain the utmost respect for human life.

I make these promises solemnly, freely and upon my honour.



INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY IN ACTION



Mahatma Gandhi Hospital nurses listening attentively to speeches



MGMH nurses celebrating with Dr. L J Sobekwa, CEO



Mrs T Mdletshe – Programme Director



Pastor M. Reddy (Board Member), Mrs. Mbatha, Mrs Sosibo & Mr. Maphumulo



Dr. L J Sobekwa (CEO) Providing the speech



Pastor M. Reddy giving a message of support



MGMH nurses modeling during nurses day



Mrs. C. Sosibo motivating nurses



Mrs SOS Mbatha delivering the speech



MGMH choir entertaining the audience with music



Pastor A Chita, Hospital Chaplain motivating nurses

Nurses Day Commemoration Gallery



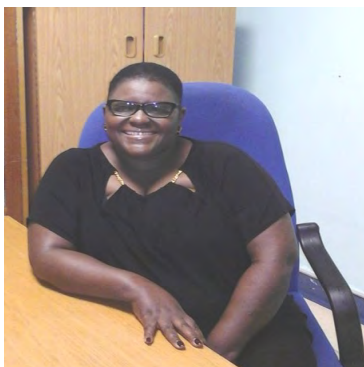
1. **Above** : MGMH Choir entertaining the audience during the event .

2. **Right** : Mr NN Zulu (OM), Mrs I. Pillay (Quality Manager), ANM R. Roopchand and OM L. Mkhize with nurses.

3. **Below** : Mrs R. Govinden (OM), Mrs I. Pillay (Quality Manager), ANM R. Roopchand, OM L. Mkhize & Mr NN Zulu (OM) with nurses.



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