



## St .Apollinaris Hospital commemorated Nurse's Day.

**T**he International Nurse's day (12 May) is being celebrated around the world, as a result, St Apollinaris Hospital commemorated this day on the 13th of May at the Hospital Lecture Hall.

The main objective of celebrating this day was to remind all the nurses about the ethics of their profession and to celebrate the birthday of Florence Nightingale who is considered the pioneer of modern nursing . **Brief history of Florence Nightingale below:**

Florence Nightingale was born on 12 May 1820, and named after the Italian city of her birth. Her wealthy parents were in Florence as part of a tour of Europe. In 1837, Nightingale felt that God was calling her to do some work but wasn't sure what that work should be.

She began to develop an interest in nursing, but her parents considered it to be a profession inappropriate to a woman of her class and background, and would not allow her to train as a nurse. They expected her to make a good marriage and live a conventional

upper class woman's life. Despite having to grow in a family that did not support her dreams but she was driven to be a nurse. Nightingale enrolled as a nursing student at the Lutheran Hospital of Pastor Fliedner in Germany. She sadly passed away on the 13th of August 1910 at age 90 in Park lane London United Kingdom

All speakers on the day urged the nurses to bring back the old working spirit of Ubuntu. The Hospital Manager addressed all the nurses and urged them to work beyond the call of duty. The nursing Profession is one of the important categories in a hospital because when a woman gives birth' nurses are responsible for her. The people we serve need to be treated compassionately.

Rev Shelembe (Chaplain) opened the ceremony with a short prayer and gave the words of God .

Our guest Speaker Mrs. T.T Shezi—also communicated a very important message dedicated to all Nurses.

She encouraged the nurses to treat patients with dignity and respect and further elaborated that working as a nurse is a calling, if you are

not passionate about patients then you will not succeed on this field.

Ms. TE Kumalo Deputy Manager Nursing also reminded the nurses about the nursing ethics which include patients care and ethical behavior. She also reminded the nurses about this year's theme: **"Nurses a force for change, care effective, cost effective"**

All staff members including the non-nursing came in numbers to witness this remarkable event,

St Apollinaris Hospital Management would like to thank everybody who participated on this event , their contribution was phenomenal.

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**Please see pictures below!!**



