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GOSPELRAMA LIGHTS UP OUR HEARTS



► Performers at this year's Gospelrama included (clockwise from lower left): Tamika Patton of Administration; James Burton of Security and his granddaughter, Ianna Perry McCall; Harolene Mack of Rhoads 4, Keanna Parks of Materials Management and her brother, Darryl Brown; Shakti Knox, nephew of Madeline Dawson; and Jeanette Davis of Radiation Oncology.



The 18th annual Gospelrama rocked Medical Alumni Hall, with no shortage of talent among the employees, friends and families who performed. **"This event helps to recognize and celebrate our diversity,"** said HUP executive director **Garry Scheib**, adding that Gospelrama is "one of my favorite events."

"We appreciate the diligence needed to keep this program going, year after year," said **Al Black**, HUP's chief operating officer. "You keep history alive by singing the songs, saying the poetry, and doing the dances."

After a rousing musical welcome by **Lorraine Harris**, chaplain resident, the show took off, with special guest host Brother Marcus of Philly Praise 103.9 FM, keeping up the pace.

Many thanks to members of Pastoral Care and **Tamika Patton-Watkins** of Administration, who pulled the program together. Also thanks to those who contributed to the delicious after-show meal, including **Lorna Taylor** of Silverstein 9 and Royale Jewel Creations.

And thank you to all the performers who brought the audience to its feet, clapping and singing along!

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