

Eye Surgeries in Amoun COMET Hospital:

In February 2010, a Medical Team from Korea visited Amoun COMET hospital. The team included an Ophthalmologist and 3 nurses. They helped to train ophthalmologists and scrub nurses to perform 20 Cataract surgeries. The training was done under the umbrella of the hospital's Ophthalmology Consultant.

On the first day 9th of February:

- *13 cataract surgeries were performed using IOL technique (intraocular lens).*
- *The average age for patients was 60 years old.*
- *All of these operations were performed free of charge.*
- *The patients were discharged from the hospital on the same day.*
- *The patients were from villages in Minya province of Egypt.*

On the second day 10th of February:

- *7 other eye operations were performed:*
 - *5 patients were from Mokattam District (Garbage City)*
 - *1 patient was referred from Kasr Eldobara Evangelical Church (KDEC).*
 - *1 Child, 3.5 years old, from another background.*

The Church in Garbage City paid for the cost of all consumables used for the surgeries. KDEC paid for 40% of the man's surgery cost. He was totally blind in one eye but after the surgery, his vision was restored in both eyes.

TESTIMONIES:

- *The child's mother, mentioned above, shared with tears in her eyes that she was deeply moved by how her child was treated and taken care of regardless of her background.*
- *The other patients told our staff that they saw Jesus in them through the way they were welcomed and treated by them in the hospital.*

Training Outcome:

- *The Korean Team trained 9 physicians and 2 nurses which was a great experience for all participants.*
- *The Ophthalmology Consultant of the Hospital will continue to train those Junior physicians on the same kind of surgeries.*
- *A plan was put in place to perform 6-8 eye surgeries each week.*
- *13 other eye operations were done over 2 days after the Korean team's visit.*