



EYE CARE

JUNE 2025 – BRINGING EYE CARE TO THE MEKONG RIVERSIDE – SECOND MISSION OF THE YEAR

Our second outreach eye care mission of 2025 took us deep into the heart of northern Laos. We began in Chomleng Yai village where we conducted vision screenings and refraction exams using the Plenoptika QuickSee Pro auto-refractor, and fitted patients with prescription glasses—many of them receiving clear vision for the first time in years.

From there, we traveled along the Mekong River to the LRF Eye Clinic and Office and the Pakbeng District Hospital where in addition to routine eye exams, we performed cataract surgeries for patients whose vision had been clouded for too long. One by one, they came into the operating room with hope, and left with a renewed sight and a sense of regained independence.

Over the course of the mission, we examined 330 patients. We provided prescription-grade eyeglasses to 232 people, performed 30 cataract surgeries with intraocular lens (IOL) implants, and carried out 7 other essential eye surgeries such as pterygium removals.

Our dedicated team of six included Dr. Luc, the President of LRF, Dr. Phetsamone and Dr. Sengla both ophthalmologists, Ms. Khamman our optometrist, and two ophthalmic nurses. Together, we worked hand-in-hand to bring the gift of sight to communities that are too often left in the shadows.

This mission was made possible through close collaboration with the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Oudomxay Province Public Health Department and the Pakbeng District Hospital.

[Click here to download photos of the mission](#)

Categories: Eye Care and Medical Missions