



The Scott Family

Missionaries to

Vietnam

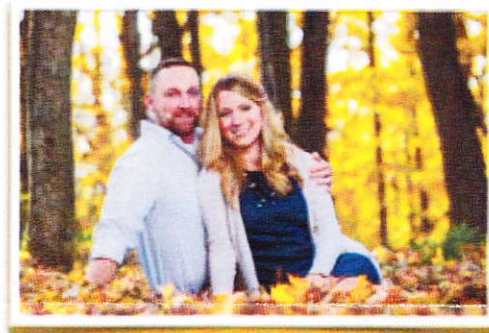
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My heart is inditing a good matter! Our Leah will marry Adam Smith in about a month. We are so happy for them: God has blessed them. Soon, every daughter will be married, and we celebrate our growing family. I'm pleased with all of them.

Separately, all four daughters collaborated and managed to melt my heart on Father's Day—an emotional show of love and respect. I am blessed. And, more importantly, let us praise God for He made a promise to me, some years ago: "And *thou shalt have* goats' milk enough for thy food, for the food of thy household, and *for* the maintenance for thy maidens" (Prov. 27:27). God has kept His promise—He always does.



I'm so glad I found the biblical pattern for 'missions' and realized my first ministry, and God's concern, is my own family. As God blesses our obedience to His priorities, we can in turn be ensamples to others (including both Americans and Vietnamese). Now, both the 'ministry' and our 'family life' are graced with fruit and joy. God's way is the best way. I have penned these observations in our third published book, Missions by Design. I'll send you a copy if you wish; but be prepared – it may be a significant change from what you consider to be the orthodox or traditional missions method.

On another family issue, Lucy's mother went home to be with Jesus in July. Her health had been failing and her passing was not a surprise, but it hurts nonetheless. Reflecting, we see her love continuing in our lives; and we also see our link in the chain of life move a little further down the line. God is good; the Comforter is very real, and we also appreciate the sympathetic love and support from you, our friends.



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After a Friday night Bible study at the New Life Center, some of the young men asked, "Teacher, can you teach us more tomorrow?" I responded, "Well, I'm booked from nine in the morning till nine at night. Every minute is filled with teaching, preaching, counseling, and so on." Tuan Anh, the leader then said, "Oh, so we can meet at 7 AM and you can teach us for 2 hours?" (These are college kids – I think they don't retire till 2 AM!) So incredible is the hunger for the wonders of God and His word! The photo to the right is that 7 AM study in a local cafe. These guys, most of whom are the only believers in their families, are so refreshing! I'm looking forward to spending more time with them during a planned three-day seminar this October. Joining me will be returning guest Pastor John Asquith.

The Coconut Tree project moves along nicely. Special thanks to Pastor Ashburn and the good folks of Faith Baptist in Pikeville, Tennessee for their special offering. Another unnamed gal from North Carolina has sponsored about 100 kids—books, pens, and graduation "*Jesus Loves You*" shirts. Well done and thank you!

Future seminar: this year, due to several factors, I am not planning a "Vietnam Day" here in the US. Instead, our energy and resources are directed to a series of seminars for the young church leaders in Vietnam. (They could not get a visa to enter the USA anyway.) There will be opposition, so please pray. We have selected nine young men and women to intensely interact with/ disciple/ and help excel in their walk with God. More on that in the next letter. Thank you, my dear friends, for being faithful.

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