



The Scott Family

Missionaries to

Vietnam

since 1998



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My heart is saddened by the loss (our loss, Heaven's gain) of our faithful friend Yvonne Wait (the Vietnamese lady with the blue blouse in the photo). She married Harvey (right, standing) 45 years ago, at the close of the war era. When we (the Scotts) went to Vietnam in 1998 to survey, and again in 1999 and 2007 to live, we trusted and depended on Yvonne, as an infant trusts their mother. She was Vietnamese, and also American; so she had a unique skill set for setting us up for living, and for setting me up to teach and preach. She famously said in her English-second-language: "We have a good chemical..." (We think she meant 'chemistry!') A great saint and an absolute selfless servant of God has finished her race. I miss her already.

I've had a chance to reacquaint with Harvey, and hopefully I have comforted him as a long time friend. Today, Vietnam just isn't the same. But we have sure hope and we will see each other again. And, surely we'll endlessly enjoy cafe-sua-da (ice coffee with sweet milk) and fried rice.

Pastor Phuc

Shown with myself above, our friend is now a senior pastor. He has waited patiently for the system, the church bureaucracy and government control, to finally grant to him a small church where he can legally be the pastor. Many of you know him from being the keynote speaker in several of our 'Vietnam Days' in the USA; and many ask what's happening in his life. He does well. He still teaches me the nuances of Vietnamese culture and we enjoy each other's fellowship.



Speaking of Vietnam Day, there is none this year. Instead, I have set up training here, in Vietnam. We (myself and pastor John Asquith) are presently training nine youth leaders from the New Life Center, two veteran "M's" from the Philippines, and Man and Trang (owners of New Life). I'm sure I'll have pics and such for the next letter. It's a joy to teach others.

UVietstore

I am often asked "Oh, do you make those beautiful cards?" Not a chance. But I can show you who does. In the picture to the left, the shorter girl is Lien (Linda). She is the evangelist/ discipler at the New Life Center. She also is our liaison for the greeting card processes. 10% of card gross sales goes to her, enabling her to stay on the job, doing what she does best—the mentoring of girls in the New Life house. The other lady is Tran; she is the card designer. She creates the cards and she teaches the girls how to produce these miniature works of art. You are looking at two very important people, not just for greeting card production, but for the saving and safety of young souls. They are wearing our embroidered UVietstore shirts (thank you Mrs. Beth Underwood) —they are definitely part of our team!



Vietnam

I understand Ken Burns has a 'Vietnam' documentary out. Several have written and asked if I have seen it. No, not yet; but I can answer another question, at least in parts: "What is Vietnam like?" The answer will span several letters. For now, the climate: it's hot here in the South. Presently, it rains every day, for we are in the midst of the rainy season. When it rains, it clouds up and cools off a bit—drops to maybe 80 -85 F at night. Tolerable. March, April, May are intensely hot, with soak thru 3-shirts-a-day humidity. So, Sept-Dec are the best months, the more climate comfortable times, for North American people to visit.

God Bless You, thank you for praying!

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