

**DAY 10: Sun., April 18 - Hoi An/Danang/Saigon B**

After breakfast at the hotel you will be transferred to Danang airport for your flight to Saigon.

**Sightseeing Tour of Saigon and Cholon**

**AM:** Start your tour of this exciting city with a visit to the historic center. Stroll along Dong Khoi Street, which is the main shopping thoroughfare and heart of old colonial Saigon. Pass by classic European-style landmarks such as the ornate City Hall and the old Opera House. Visit the neo-Romanesque Notre Dame Cathedral and the Central Post Office.

Dive into modern history with a tour of the Reunification Palace. Formerly the Independence Palace of the South Vietnamese president, this building was famously stormed by tanks on April 30, 1975 signifying the fall of South Vietnam. Continue to the harrowing War Remnants Museum, which comprehensively documents the travails of the long Vietnam-American War. You will also visit the Emperor of Jade Pagoda.

**PM:** In the afternoon, head to Cholon (Chinatown). Cholon retains a traditional Asian feeling. Start with a visit to Binh Tay Market, the vast wholesale market selling every kind of good from dried foods to t-shirts to electronics. Continue to Thien Hau Pagoda, built by the Cantonese congregation and dedicated to the heavenly goddess. End your tour at the central Ben Thanh Market, where vendors display a vast array of goods and handicrafts.

**DAY 11: Mon., April 19 - Saigon/Nha Trang/Saigon B,D**

This morning you will be transferred to Saigon airport for your flight to Cam Ranh Bay. Upon your arrival in Cam Ranh Bay you will be transferred to Nha Trang. Enjoy the day at leisure in Nha Trang pursuing your own activities.

In the evening you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Saigon.

**Dinner:** Enjoy dinner at a Vietnamese restaurant.

**DAY 12: Tues., April 20 - Saigon/ Bangkok/ Los Angeles B**

Today you will fly from Saigon to Bangkok where you will connect with your international flight back to Los Angeles.

B=breakfast; L=lunch; D=dinner

**COST P/PERSON from Los Angeles:**  
**\$3699.00 double occupancy**  
**\$ 899.00 single room supplement**

**COST INCLUDES**

**Air:** Roundtrip from Los Angeles/Bangkok, economy class Air to and from Los Angeles is not included

**Domestic Air:** Bangkok/Hanoi; Hanoi/Hue; Danang/Saigon; Saigon/Nha Trang; Nha Trang/Saigon; Saigon/Bangkok

**Hotels:** 9 nights in first class hotels

**Meals:** Breakfast daily, 1 lunch, and 1 dinner

**Sightseeing:** Extensive as per itinerary \* All sightseeing in private deluxe motor coaches and includes the services of expert English speaking guides and entrance fees

**Transportation & Transfers:** In deluxe motor coaches

**Miscellaneous:** Hotel taxes and service charges \*Gratuities for planned group meals in restaurants and hotels \* Baggage handling and portage

**TOUR CONDITIONS**

**TOUR PRICE:** Tour price is based upon current tariff and exchange rates and is subject to change. It is based upon a minimum of 15 fully paid passengers. In the event this minimum is not met a surcharge will be levied.

**REGISTRATION AND DEPOSITS:** A deposit (by check) of \$1000 p/person is required at time of registration, along with signed registration form. **You will be billed for the balance which is due on or before December 9, 2009 either by check or money order.**

**CANCELLATION TERMS:**

Cancellations received:  
Prior to Dec. 9, 2009... \$200 p/person  
From Dec. 10 – Jan. 31, 2010... \$750 p/person  
From Feb. 1 – Feb. 28, 2010... \$1000 p/person  
From March 1, 2010 onward: No refund

**All cancellations must be received in writing.**

**NOTE:** Comprehensive insurance is available to cover trip cancellation and interruption, baggage protection, medical, accidental death & dismemberment and emergency evacuation and repatriation. A descriptive booklet will be mailed to you upon receipt of your deposit.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Economy class via any regular IATA carrier. Any cancellation, itinerary change or failure to use confirmed air space may be subject to penalties levied by the airlines at the time of ticketing. **Air tickets, once issued, are non-refundable. This is in addition to above "Cancellation Terms."**

**PASSPORT/VISA REQUIREMENTS:** A valid passport is required for all tour members. U.S. citizens do not require visas for travel to Thailand, but require visas for travel to Vietnam. If you are not a U.S. citizen call the Consulate of EVERY country you will enter (even in-transit when changing planes) to check on visa requirements. **ALL passports must be valid for at least 6 months after the return date of the tour.**

**TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:** Passport, visa, insurance, U.S. Departure Tax and other airline taxes. All items of a personal nature, beverages and meals not included in the tour. Optional tours and excess baggage charges. There is no refund for unused land arrangements or any cost incurred through absence or deviation from the stated itinerary for any reason, including illness.

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**DIVINE WORD COLLEGE**  
**12 Day Tour of**  
**THAILAND AND VIETNAM**  
**April 9 – April 20, 2010**



*I invite you to travel with me on a once in a lifetime trip to Vietnam and Bangkok, Thailand.*

*For more than 30 years, many Divine Word College students have come from Vietnam or from families of Vietnamese heritage. During the end of the Vietnam War and for years after, the people of South Vietnam chose to escape their country for a better life, many coming to the United States. Despite the difficulties they experienced, their strong Catholic faith has never wavered. This is your opportunity to visit this beautiful country with its many wonderful sights, sounds and smells and experience firsthand the homeland of many Divine Word College students.*

*Our journey together will begin with a day of sightseeing in Bangkok, Thailand then on to Vietnam with stops in Hanoi, Hue, Danang, Hoi An and Saigon. Our time together will end in Nha Trang, home to the largest Society of the Divine Word (SVD) mission house in Vietnam. I hope you are able to join me on this amazing journey!*

*Father Linh Pham, SVD*  
*Associate Director of Development for Vietnamese Outreach at Divine Word College*

**Registration Form**  
**Divine Word College**  
**THAILAND AND VIETNAM**  
**April 9-April 20, 2010**

**Send this form with a check payable to:**  
**FAR HORIZONS, 135 Chestnut Ridge Rd.,**  
**Montvale, NJ 07645. Tel: 201-799-4382 or**  
**877-482-8747.**

Enclosed is my/our deposit of \$1000 p/person for the above tour to Thailand and Vietnam.

Please PRINT name clearly, **exactly as it appears on your PASSPORT.** If you have a P.O. Box, please provide your **street address** with zip code, since final documents will be sent to you by UPS.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to occupy a single room at an additional \$899.

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\_\_\_\_\_ I would like Far Horizons to select a roommate (if available) to share a twin-bedded room with me. If not available, I understand that I will be charged the single supplement.

Your reservation will be considered official only after your full payment has been received. Should you cancel after your reservation has been received, the cancellation penalties in the "Tour Conditions" apply. I/We have read and agree to the terms and conditions, which apply to this tour, especially noting the cancellation and responsibility clauses.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ITINERARY**

**DAY 1: Fri., April 9 - Los Angeles/En Route**

Depart Los Angeles for your flight to Bangkok. Meals will be served in flight.

**DAY 2: Sat., April 10 - En Route**

You lose a day crossing the International Date Line, which you gain back on your return flight.

**DAY 3: Sun., April 11 - Bangkok**

Welcome to Thailand! You will be met at the airport, escorted to your waiting deluxe motor coach, and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure to catch up with your jet lag.

**DAY 4: Mon., April 12 - Bangkok** B

**AM: Klong Tour and the Temple of Dawn**

This morning you will cruise along the Chao Phraya River and the small canals of Thonburi. En route you will be treated to a view of the Thai lifestyle along the riverbanks. Then enjoy a visit to the Temple of Dawn, which stands beside the Chao Phraya River. The temple is composed of a brick core embedded with millions of fragments of Chinese porcelain.

**PM: Grand Palace and Wat Po**

Visit the Grand Palace Complex, which includes the Temple of the Emerald Buddha. The Palace is said to be one of the wonders of the modern world and has within its grounds an exotic Buddhist temple housing a fabulous solid Jade Buddha. You will also visit the Royal Funeral Hall and the Royal Coronation Hall. Your next stop is Wat Po, which is the largest and oldest temple in Bangkok.

**DAY 5: Tues., April 13 - Bangkok/Hanoi** B

After breakfast you will be transferred to Suvarnabhumi Airport for your flight to Hanoi. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

**DAY 6: Wed., April 14 - Hanoi** B

**AM: Sightseeing Tour of Hanoi**

Start with a visit to the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, the final resting place of Ho Chi Minh. It is a glass sarcophagus set deep in the bowels of a monumental edifice that has become a site of pilgrimage.

Your next stop is the Temple of Literature, which is a

peaceful series of walled courtyards and graceful gateways. Founded in 1070, this was also the site of Vietnam's first university. Then visit the One Pillar Pagoda. The pagoda was built in 1049 by Emperor Ly Thai Tong. It was then burned by the French in 1954 and restored in 1955. The pagoda contains a statue of Quan An, the Goddess of Mercy.

See the magnificent Opera House, which was built in 1911. Proceed to St. Joseph's Cathedral. The Cathedral is noteworthy for its square towers, elaborate altar, and stained-glass windows.

Explore the Old Quarter of Hanoi by Cyclo. This fascinating network of narrow alleys and shop houses is also known as "the 36 Streets." Each street is named after the merchandise traditionally sold there.

Later you will experience a Water Puppet Show. This fantastic art form originated in northern Vietnam.

**DAY 7: Thurs., April 15 - Hanoi/Halong Bay**

**Cruise/Hanoi** B,L

**AM: Halong Bay Scenic Cruise**

Depart from Hanoi in the morning for scenic Halong Bay. Embark on a cruise on a traditional wooden boat among the emerald waters and craggy limestone cliffs of Halong Bay. Sail past picturesque islands, floating villages, and pearl fisheries.

**Lunch:** Enjoy a seafood lunch on the boat.

**DAY 8: Fri., April 16 - Hanoi/Hue** B

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Hue.

**Visit to the Old Imperial City of Hue**

Located in the heart of Hue is the Imperial Citadel, a vast complex built in the early 19th century and modeled after the Forbidden City of Peking. Today, most of the buildings have been destroyed due to bombing during the Vietnam-American War, but the monuments that remain provide a fascinating glimpse into the court life of the Nguyen Dynasty. Arrive at the imposing Ngo Mon Gate, the main entrance to the Imperial Enclosure. Visit the Dien Tho Palace where the Queen Mother lived. You will also visit Thai Hoa Palace, with its magnificently decorated Reception

Hall, the Halls of the Mandarins, and the original Nine Dynastic Urns.

**Visit to the Tombs of Tu Duc and Khai Dinh**

Next, visit the Imperial Tomb of Tu Duc. Tu Duc, the longest reigning Vietnamese Emperor, designed and built this elegant tomb, using it as a retreat for meditation, reading, and theater performances. See the Imperial Tomb of Khai Dinh, dramatically located on a hillside.

**DAY 9: Sat., April 17 - Hue/Danang/Hoi An** B

Depart Hue and travel over scenic mountainous roads to Hoi An. Stop en route in Danang. Halfway between Danang and Hue lies the dramatic Hai Van Pass, the high dividing line between the climate zones of North and South Vietnam. Pass Lang Co, a lovely stretch of beach curving outward between a clear blue lagoon and the South China Sea.

**Tour of Danang**

Upon your arrival in Danang, enjoy a tour of the Cham Museum, which houses the finest collection of Cham sculpture in the world. Briefly pass China Beach, a famous spot for American soldiers during the Vietnam-American War. Continue south to Hoi An, stopping en route to visit the Marble Mountains, five stone hillocks, once islands, which now rise sharply from the surrounding rice fields.

**Walking Tour of Hoi An**

Hoi An is a picturesque riverside town south of Danang. Your walking tour starts with a visit to the Japanese Covered Bridge Pagoda. The first bridge on this site was constructed in 1593 by the Japanese community of Hoi An to link the town with the Chinese quarters across the stream. Continue to the Sa Huynh Museum, which contains exhibitions from the earliest period of Hoi An's history.

Next, visit the Tran Family Chapel. This house for worshipping ancestors was built about 200 years ago. Your next stop is the Phuoc Kien Assembly Hall. The Chinese pagoda was built around 1690 and then restored and enlarged in 1900. The temple is dedicated to the Goddess of the Sea and Protector of Sailors and Fishermen. Then visit one of the lantern making workshops.