

Biographical Information of
Important BSKH Leaders.

Ban Son Ky Huong

Duong Thanh Long (Former Chief of the Organization Committee BSKH). Sources report that Long was killed by the Viet Cong in 1969 at the age of 25 (approx.). The large BSKH pagoda near Nha Bang (Tinh Bien District) was built by Long. No replacement has yet filled the leadership vacuum his death left. The pagoda at Nha Bang is nine stories high as his followers believe his successor will build an 18 story pagoda. There is presently a significant number of Long's followers in Ca Mau (An Xuyen Province).

Tran Van Phuc (Chairman of the Central Council of the Joint BSKH Branches) Originally came from Long Xuyen; later travelled the countryside as a "Fortune Teller". Always wears white clothing and a Hoa Hao hair style. His greatest appeal is to the elderly and relatively uneducated with little appeal to younger, educated people. He visited Mai Sam this year for the celebration and then returned to Long Xuyen. He has been attempting to unite the 26 Branches but both Tay An and Hieu Nghia Branches state that they do not accept him.

Tran Van Tan-Dac - Leader of BSKH in Rach Gia. No information available here.

Nguyen Long Chau - Leader of Vietnamese Tu An Sect presently located in Saigon. Originally from Hoa Hao. Chau has some connection with the BSKH primarily with the Hieu Nghia in Ba Chue but the relationship is unclear.

Entire memo on the BSKH, dated Nov. 16, 1970, filed under Duong Thanh Long.

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