

**General Topics :: Zac Poonen visiting the USA in February and March!****Zac Poonen visiting the USA in February and March! - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/30 10:50**

Zac Poonen is going to be speaking in California, Colorado and Pennsylvania in February and March!

Here is the contents of the e-mail I recieved from his ministry regarding this visit.

Dear Subscribers,

Brother Zac Poonen will be speaking in USA as follows, God willing:

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March 2 to 4 - Loveland, CO - Contact: Phil Lapp, Phone: 970-567-3032; Email: pkclapp@juno.com

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You may also inform your friends who would be interested to listen to Bro.Zac Poonen.

Newton
for Christian Fellowship Church
Bangalore, India.

If you have the opportunity to attend any of these meetings I highly encourage you to go! I wish I could, but being in Seattle I'm more than one thousand miles away from any of the meetings.

Hopefully he'll put up MP3's of these meetings!

Re: Zac Poonen visiting the USA in February and March! - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/30 15:51

Bump! If you can attend don't miss your chance!

Re: Zac Poonen visiting the USA in February and March! - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/1/30 16:04

Thanks Ian,

Quote:

-----February 17 - 5.30 pm service at ALCF, Mountain View, CA (www.alcf.net)

Am familiar with Pastor Paul Sheppard (used to listen to him on our local station here) and Mountain View is a stones throw from here. Zac was here last year and circumstances had me elsewhere in the state at the time.

Looking forward to this. Will see if any of the messages will be made available.

Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/30 16:18

Zac Poonen is one of the few living ministers that I would go out of my way to see in person. I think in retrospect we'll probably look on him as one of this generation's spiritual giants.

I really don't want you to think that I am idolizing this man, but his teachings are solid, his life has been sold out, and he has been faithful for decades.

His teachings have been such a profound blessing in my life -once I pay off my loans I'd like to travel through South Asia, I hope to visit his church in Bangalore!

Re: - posted by PaulWest (), on: 2007/1/30 16:54

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No doubt. Brother Poonen, for me, is right up there with the great preacher triad of Keith Daniel/Art Katz/Zac Poonen. I will travel long distances to hear any one of these colossal men of God.

I just might have an excuse to go to Colorado now! ;-)

I just hope my wife will go for it!

Brother Paul

Re: - posted by BenBrockway, on: 2007/1/30 17:14

Living in Colorado, this'll be a special treat for me! I'm gonna try my hardest to go!

Re: Zac Poonen visiting the USA in February and March! - posted by jordanamo, on: 2007/1/30 17:27

Jeez, McAlisterville, PA is a pretty small town.. Around 765 people live there. My father lives 50 miles south from that town. I was planning on possibly visiting him in March, so this would work out perfect.

Thanks for the info though. It would be nice to meet Poonen.

Jordan

Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/31 11:00

I wonder how he came about picking those locations... maybe his children live there... or old ministry friends? Plus it looks like he's in the USA for a pretty long time, maybe he's teaching while on holiday! Wow, that's dedication.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2007/1/31 13:08

Quote:

-----Zac Poonen is going to be speaking in California, Colorado and Pennsylvania in February and March!

This is excellent and thank you for posting this. I would love to go and hear him speak! I am glad Mike and others will have a chance to.

Quote:

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Many churches do not simply ask him to come to their church to teach and therefore he does not come. If other churches asked him he would probably come more. But I am sure he also prays and is led by the Spirit of God.

Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/31 13:58

I wish I was in a position of leadership that I could ask my heroes in the faith to come preach at my church... I'd certainly invite Zac Poonen, KP Yohannan, Paul Washer, Brother Andrew etc.

Who knows, we're Baptists and so are KP, Paul and Brother Andrew =P

I really really want to go see Zac Poonen... maybe I should just drive down to California!

Re: - posted by PaulWest (), on: 2007/1/31 14:15

Quote:

-----Who knows, we're Baptists and so are KP, Paul and Brother Andrew =P

Hey brother, Poonen speaks in tongues. Would he still be allowed to teach in your church? :-P

Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/31 14:51

If by tongues you mean that he can speak in other Indian dialects -yes!

Actually my church had a joint service with our Korean department this last week and the Korean pastor gave a charge to the congregation in English, then quipped, 'and now I'm going to give the same charge in tongues.' Then promptly gave the same charge to the Korean speaking members.

You know, I've never spoken in tongues, and never heard someone who was genuinely born again speak in tongues in person. That is not to say that I believe that it is a lost gift, I am uncomfortable with it though.

I have known a couple of people claim to speak in tongues who were living sinning godless lives -so that may shade my opinion on the matter towards the negative.

You know, last year I read the book 'The Cross and the Switchblade.' The book had my entire attention until about the 2nd chapter or so (I think) when there was a chapter entirely devoted to speaking in tongues, and I was just floored by it.

I think I agree closest with Leonard Ravenhill, who said that tongues should be considered a sign of the blessing of the Holy Spirit, but not a requirement.

Honestly, if I could have a choice of any of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, I'd put purity, wisdom, prophesy, teaching all before tongues!

I've known so many people who claim to speak in tongues and have none of these!

If I met together with Zac Poonen and he wanted to pray for me in tongues I wouldn't be against it, he has evidences in his life of the work of the Holy Spirit... and if he did speak in tongues I wouldn't be able to tell the difference than if he had wanted to pray over me in some Indian dialect.

The leadership of my church is Korean, my pastor prays during prayer meeting aloud in Korean... but the fact of the matter is it's not for spiritual self-gratification, which is the warning that Paul gives to those in the early church about speaking in tongues. I think that warning is applicable today too.

Before someone starts barking like a dog, or speaking in tongues, show me love, purity, wisdom, joy, a heart sold out for Jesus. I really don't want any part of their theatrics!

Re: - posted by PaulWest (), on: 2007/1/31 15:20

Great post, Ian. I agree!

I forget what message it is when Poonen talks about when he was baptized in the Holy Spirit how he spoke in "other" tongues. I believe he was talking about his prayer language. I guess I should have worded it that he *prays* in tongues. I believe there's a difference between the ejaculatory tongues in Cornelius' house and the public tongue "gift" spoken of in I Cor. 14 that requires interpretation.

Yes, I've read "Cross and the Switchblade", and I remember the part where Wilkerson explains the Spirit baptism and tongues. I was kind of shocked - and I am Pentecostal! I thought it was pretty bold to dedicate as many pages as he did to something as controversial and stumbling-blockish as Holy Ghost Baptism and tongues. I actually commended him for it.

Anyway, I was just trying to be a bit jocular here - trying to get a rise from you since you've admitted to being a part of a Baptist fellowship!

I'm with you on Ravenhill. God can keep the gifts out of my life if I don't have fruit. I'd rather be humble and holy and lowly than raise the dead and cleanse lepers - and again, this is coming from a Pentecostal believer. I shudder at the thought of striking a rock in disobedience and God still bringing the water forth.

If you know what I mean. ;-)

Brother Paul

Re: - posted by Santana (), on: 2007/1/31 15:55

Quote:
-----Brother Poonen, for me, is right up there with the great preacher triad of Keith Daniel/Art Katz/Zac Poonen. I will travel long distances to hear any one of these colossal men of God.

Maybe we'll see at least one of these speakers in the future at the first annual SermonIndex.com conference. 8-)

Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/31 17:47

Thanks for the response Paul.

I knew you were trying to get a rise out of a Baptist but I really didn't know what your true feelings were, so I actually even went back and edited the post and put in 'someone' instead of 'you.'

I really don't want to argue on the forum, so I'd rather speak constructively. (Unless the topic is Islam, then I'm right and you're wrong... j/k).

I have to admit, until recently I've been pretty much tunnel vision as far as denominations go. My background in Childhood is Catholicism. I first heard the Gospel at an Evangelical Free church in middle school. In college I came to the Lord in a Southern Baptist Church.

Like Paul Washer said in his famous sermon (you know the one if you've heard it), I'm proud to be a Southern Baptist, because for the most part we get things right before others do -although no denomination is perfect.

I think Southern Baptists have pretty strong footing in theology, praxis and missions. We're conservative, we're mission minded, and our members live lives that reflect this daily.

One thing that I never learned too much about as a Baptist was the gifts of the Spirit, I think the denomination plays this down because it is dangerous territory. Southern Baptists tend to stress personal holiness and obedience over speaking in tongues and prophesy. Sometimes this leads to dead religiosity -however in my church it leads to humble discipleship.

I have no doubt that there are some Baptists who have a genuine gift of tongues, but because of the emphasis on modesty and humility it probably won't be tolerated in worship services because it is and often has been a source of pride and boasting.

Baptists like Brother Andrew, KP Yohannan and Paul Washer aren't afraid to reach out and grasp the hands of a Pentecostal or Charismatic, as long as those believers are well grounded in humility, modesty and the foundational virtues of a servant of the Lord.

For example, Gospel For Asia is an interdenominational organization, but KP Yohannan is an ordained Baptist minister. KP and Zac Poonen are on good terms, Zac Poonen has even taught at GFA meetings.

Paul Washer talks lovingly about his friendship with Leonard Ravenhill... even getting past the fact that Ravenhill wasn't always the most kind in his speech towards Baptists =)

Brother Andrew isn't even afraid to meet with the members of Hamas or Hezbollah, he's not going to avoid meeting with some Pentecostals, Nazarenes or Charismatics.

What I don't like is when Pentecostals say that if I don't speak in tongues, then I'm not born again -I'm not the one putting up barriers here =)

Anyways, God Bless!

Re: - posted by PaulWest (), on: 2007/1/31 19:09

Thank you for this much gracious discussion, brother. At the risk of diverting this Zac Poonen thread to yet another rabbit trail on tongues, let me just say that the people who say you must speak in tongues to be born again are known as UPC (United Pentecostal Church) and they are considered heretical. I totally reject their stance on tongues for salvation, as well as their oneness theology. My wife grew up in the UPC, where they didn't allow their women to cut their hair or wear pants. I praise God she was able to escape this, and now she will tell you herself how dangerous they are. We attend an AG (Assemblies of God) Pentecostal church, are trinitarians, and I have much fellowship with my Baptist brethren. I used to street preach with a Baptist youth pastor, we are still wonderful friends, I love him in the Lord. We have seen God move on the streets, and we see firsthand how His glory transcends man's denomination.

Like brother Zac, we are after humility and holiness, conforming to the image of Jesus Christ in the inward parts. I pray I can go see Poonen when he's in Colorado. Maybe you and I can meet up! This would be wonderful! I've already met some blessed saints from SI when I saw Keith Daniel last year.

Much love in our Lord,

Brother Paul

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2007/2/5 11:24

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Is anyone else going to be able to go and hear Zac Poonen when he comes this February and March?

Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/2/5 12:13

I would love to go, but short notice and short on capital... if I could get 2 or three people from Seattle to go and split the gas money I guess I'd go!

Re: - posted by lovejt (), on: 2007/2/5 12:41

I'm going. I've seen him there for years. I really look forward to the times he comes around. I used to live in that area and am about 1 1/2 hours away now.

Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/2/5 12:58

He comes yearly? Do you know what the occasion is?

Re: - posted by lovejt (), on: 2007/2/5 20:34

Well he usually stops over here when he has obligations around the country. He also has family here.

You should come down bro. I can show you some good asian food/stuff. :) I hope I can go to Seattle/Vancouver someday.

Re: - posted by Jimbabwean, on: 2007/2/5 21:03

Quote:

-----My wife grew up in the UPC, where they didn't allow their women to cut their hair or wear pants.

Well now she can wear all the pants she wants! I watched a clip of a guy putting on about 100 Tee Shirts for the Guinness Book of records. There is also this Chinese guy who has the record length hair. Imagine them going to the UPC!!

Re: Zac Poonen in McAlisterville, PA - posted by Koheleth, on: 2007/2/6 17:42

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Note: March 7 and 8 are for local church only, so the public meetings are Friday March 9 thru Sunday March 11. I got the information from the listed contact when I called to ask about the schedule.

Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/2/6 22:46

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I'm all about the asian food stuffs! You're talking to a guy with a degree in international studies with an emphasis on east asia! The only reason I studied Asian Studies was because of the food!

NEW LOCATION ADDED - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/2/6 23:40

Dear friends,

**If any of you live near Kansas City, this is to inform you that
Bro.Zac Poonen will be speaking at Calvary Chapel
(1556 E. Spruce, Olathe, Kansas KS 66061. Phone:913-829-9306)
on Sunday March 18th, at their morning service.**

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Newton**

Re: - posted by lovejt (), on: 2007/2/7 13:32

hehehe :)
You're talking to a guy who was over in
East Asia recently who didn't go there
for the food but definately had his fill. :-P
I've even tried rotten stinky tofu. A delicacy
which i will not eat again. But i love asian
food. (i'm 1/2 japanese). Chinatown is nice
over here and hope you can visit sometime.
I know there are people who vacation to Vancouver
(from SF) just for the food.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2007/2/7 13:40

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That is excellent news that Zac Poonen is going to speak at the calvary chapel in that city.

Here are details on how to get there:
<http://maps.calvarychapel.com/details.cfm?ChurchID=100401>
<http://www.calvarychapeljoco.com/index2.htm>

Asian food tangent -how did this get started? - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/2/7 13:41

lovejt,

Yeah, my room mate is from Vancouver (and is Chinese) so we get to talk about good food pretty often.

I'm a big fan of tofu, I've been trying 'mapo tofu' at every Chinese restaurant in Seattle to find the best one -so far the title is held by Mandarin Chef in the University District.

Being half Japanese you must get a lot of great food growing up -my other room mate is Okinawan and he's always cooking something good!

What brought you to Asia?

-lan

Re: Asian food tangent -how did this get started? - posted by Forevidence (), on: 2007/2/7 14:05

Quote:

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I am thinking seriously attending this conference. Just wondering if there are any saints in the area that live around there in which we might be able to stay?

Re: Asian food tangent -how did this get started? - posted by lovejt (), on: 2007/2/8 16:44

I was there for missions. Don't get me wrong, I love all non-rotten tofu. :)

Send me an email (see my profile)
since this thread is about brother zac.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2007/2/8 19:55

Are there any other saints that are going to attend these meetings?

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Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2007/2/14 14:17

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bump anyone else going to these meetings? And is there anyone that can give brother Giancarlo a place to stay while he travels up to the meetings from Riverside, California?

Zac and Giancarlo - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/2/16 10:47

Quote:

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Get ahold of me brother! Check your PM's and email...

Zac Poonen - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/2/17 17:29

Quote:

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Just confirmed he will be speaking this evening.

Re: Zac Poonen - posted by lovejt (), on: 2007/2/17 18:18

I was planning to go but won't be there.
I need to be elsewhere. I hope you
are blessed with this visit Mike/Giancarlo.
You may want to check with him to see if he
will speak again when he returns from CO/KS/PN.
Sometimes, after he completes his itinerary,
he will come back to ALCF before going home.

Re: Zac Poonen - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/2/18 0:22

Hi James,

Giancarlo couldn't make it either, but no worries, spoke with Brother Zac and he gave his blessing on posting tonight's message. It was on "What Jesus Taught About Money". Hope to get it to Greg and up on site soon.

Re: - posted by lovejt (), on: 2007/2/18 9:00

That's great! I will be able to go this morning.
I'm pumped. I'll be looking for you
Mike.

Zac Poonen - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/2/18 9:45

Excellent! 8:30 or 11:00?

Re: Zac Poonen - posted by lovejt (), on: 2007/2/18 9:50

I'll be at both. I'm leaving as I type. :)
I'm wearing a black shirt with Japanese
writing on it.

Re: - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/2/18 9:52

Got it! Hoping to be parked somewhere up front... Undetermined shirt as of yet ... but I will find you brother, will be there at 8:00-ish

Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/2/20 10:42

How were the meetings?

Re: - posted by lovejt (), on: 2007/2/20 17:16

They went well. :) Glad to be back at my old home church and see Zac/Annie. It was great to meet Mike and hangout. I hope we can do that again soon. I now have a sermonindex name-card. Pretty cool. :)

Zac spoke on money. I've heard him speak numerous times on that subject and he always seems to bring a slightly new slant on it I haven't heard before and it was true. I believe Mike will upload the message when it's available. Please wait a bit cause there was a slight snag.

Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/2/20 17:26

Wow, he came to America and talked on money... I've heard some of his messages on money, I really wonder how the audience responded. Did anyone get up and leave?

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2007/2/20 18:07

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Mike has sent the messages to me and I will get them up as soon as I recieve them.

Re: - posted by lovejt (), on: 2007/2/21 16:13

I don't think anybody left.
Zac has been guest-preaching at this church since the 90's. ALCF is quite fond of him. Other places...well, he has said he has not been invited to come back for probably more reasons then one... :-)

Re: - posted by DIETTOSELF (), on: 2007/2/22 21:27

Who is going to be in KC for Zac? Really considering driving down there. Its only one service but I think it would be worth it.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2007/2/22 22:27

Here is the video message that Brother Zac Poonen preached in ALCF in California:

http://www.alcf.net/pages/page.asp?page_id=12243
Click on the message titled: Following Jesus Part 4: What Jesus Taught About Money

Re: Zac - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/2/25 12:47

A little slow to respond here, had some computer problems lately...

It was great to meet up with James and Zac was just ... well, himself. He can bring a certain simplicity without being simplistic and not more so on what he preached over the weekend. Ended up going to all three services even though the were all the 'same' message. Even with that though he did not repeat everything verbatim, the 8:30 AM ... was just better in that he drew out more and from other scriptures, it is also just goes to show that he is obviously not leaning on notes :-)

Great to see the video is up, hope to check it out once I get this computer setup correctly, curious which service it is from.

But the message needs to be heard, would agree wholeheartedly with James here;

Quote:
-----I've heard him speak numerous times on that subject and he always seems to be bring a slightly new slant on it i haven't heard before and it was true.

Can't begin to tell how refreshing it was to hear both the man and the message in this setting. In a former church that I once attended this would likely have started a riot being so contrary to their 'theology' ... "*Go to the ant, you sluggard!*" Proverbs 6:6

Re: Zac Poonen visiting the USA in February and March! - posted by Koheleth, on: 2007/3/15 16:01

Went to see Zac for the Friday and Saturday meetings in Beaver Springs/McAlisterville. What a great experience--it was my first time listening to and seeing Zac in person. He is very approachable and personable. Saturday afternoon's message struck me most deeply, but I don't believe it would be unique compared to what is already available on this site. I had never heard Zac speak on reality vs. hypocrisy before. I haven't listened to the current SI featured message yet, but I get the sense from the comments that it is similar.

Re:, on: 2007/3/17 22:38

I'm planning to go to the meeting in Olathe, KS tomorrow morning, Lord willing! Is anyone else going?

https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/newbb/viewtopic.php?topic_id=15391&forum=35

Quote:

You can listen to the services live on their website at 10:30 am to hear Zac Poonen

website link:

<http://www.calvarychapeljoco.com/index2.htm>

Listen Live CCJC Sunday Mornings at 10:30 AM

http://wm.calvarymedia.com/johnsoncounty_audio12

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