



Frohe Weihnachten!
December 2010

Musick Notes

My beloved family and friends,

Merry Christmas! I wish you all a blessed time remembering the time when God took on flesh and became one of us. I thank my God in all my remembrance of you.... God bless!

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Extended Term

Praise the Lord with me! WorldVenture, BFA and the elders of Grace Church have officially approved me to stay for another school year at BFA. I will be staying here through the 2011-2012 school year to continue my work with the orchestras and all the string students. If you are currently supporting me financially, please prayerfully consider continuing for another year!

Beyond that, I don't know what God has in store! There may be another year or two here at BFA....

God has been teaching me so much though my time at BFA; I wonder whether I'm learning more than the students! It has been a blessing to share this year and a half with you; I look forward to what God has for us next in this great adventure called life!

Paris

The High School Orchestra Paris trip was a success (for the most part): nobody was seriously injured (at least not permanently), nobody got lost (for too long), none of the kids broke BFA rules, and everybody had a good time!

We visited musical and historical sites in Paris, bonded as a group, saw a performance, and played for a church service at Les Cedres.

Under the Eiffel Tower:



Currently Reading:

- *Drei Mann in einem Boot* by Jerome K. Jerome
- *The Pursuit of Holiness* by Jerry Bridges
- *The Language Files*
- The Bible

Concert hall Dec. 11 & 12 (right)



Beginners at BFA Christmas Concert (below)



The 12 Days of Christmas

Christmas time in the life of a musician is a busy time to say the least. Between directing, playing, and watching, I attended 12 musical performances in the month of December! Check out my blog to get more details on most of these events.

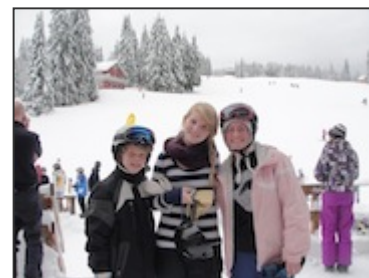
1. Dec. 1 – Nursing Home performance by all the orchestras
2. Dec. 4 – Stadtmusik Kandern Jahreskonzert (played tuba)
3. Dec. 5 – Played carols in BFCF church lobby before the service
4. Dec. 9 – Watched accordion players, singers, and bands play Christmas music in Blumenplatz
5. Dec. 11 – Markgräfler Symphonieorchester concert
6. Dec. 12 – BFA Christmas concert
7. Dec. 12 – 2nd Markgräfler Symphonieorchester concert
8. Dec. 15 – Nursing home Christmas party with music performance by BFA staff
9. Dec. 16 – Played Tuba in Blumenplatz with Stadtmusik brass players
10. Dec. 18 – Handel’s Messiah
11. Dec. 19 – Played violin at FeG
12. Dec. 24 – Played violin for Christmas Eve service at FeG

Adopted into Family

This Christmas break, the Careys adopted me into their family.

To start the break, I had their daughter (my student) and her friend over for a Home Alone movie marathon.

They took me downhill skiing for the first time ever! It was quite a fun experience.



The Careys also had me over to their house to celebrate Christmas Eve. I am so thankful that God provided a family here. Even though I can’t be at home with my own family, the Careys are here!

Prayer Corner

Please pray for....

- A safe trip to Turkey and a refreshing conference in Izmir
- The high school orchestra scheduling situation; pray for wisdom as I decide what to do with their schedules

Praises:

- Making it through the semester!
- A restored relationship
- Snow – White Christmas!
- That the Carey family took me in this break

What’s Up Ahead

- Dec. 27-Jan. 2 – Ephesian Escape in Turkey
- Jan. 2-4 – visiting Istanbul
- Jan. 11 – Classes resume!

