



March Mayhem  
March/April 2011

Dear family and friends,

March was very full month at BFA, taking me to Switzerland, France, and Spain. Now I am on Spring Break in France babysitting for a BFA family; soon I will be heading to Austria for WorldVenture's annual Spring Getaway. Remember to check out my blog to catch all of my in-between stories that don't fit into this newsletter!

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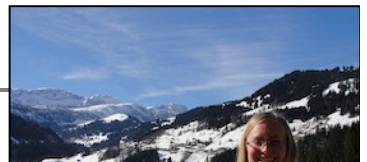
**High School Retreat**

*Lenk, Switzerland*

At the beginning of March, the entire BFA high school went to Switzerland for retreat. Rod Taylor was our speaker, and our worship leader was Dennis Jernigan (famous for writing 'All in All'). In the sessions, students were challenged to be open and honest and to share their struggles with each other.

I co-lead a small group of girls at the retreat. God brought about opportunities for me to share some of what He had been teaching me in the last few months. The girls also shared some of the difficulties of being an MK. For instance, they said they often feel they cannot share their problems because they do not want to add to their parents' already stressful lives. The kids feel that they need to handle their own issues because they can't get in the way of their parents' ministries.

Our work at BFA is vital. MKs are a largely forgotten group!



< Small group girls

**Church Service**

*Guebwiller, France*

My High School and Intermediate Orchestras went to France to play at a church service. The High School Orchestra played prelude music, both groups combined played for hymns, and the Intermediate Orchestra played at the end.

The father of one of my students preached the sermon on Philippians 3:12-4:1, and our hymns fit with the topic of looking to Jesus. I pray that we were a blessing to the congregation!

### Currently Reading:

- *A Royal Recluse - Ludwig II* by W. Bertram
- *Fußball ist Unser Leben* by K.E. Everwyn
- *The Language Files*
- The Bible

### Currently Playing:

#### Violin Works:

- *Violin Concerto* by J. Brahms
- *Schindler's List* by J. Williams
- *B minor Partita* by J.S. Bach

#### Orchestral Works:

- *Die Zauberflöte* by W.A. Mozart

### Honor Choir/Strings

*Madrid, Spain*

Toward the end of March, we took 3 students to participate in the all-Europe Christian International school music event. I played viola and directed rehearsals for our group of 5 string players.

It was a stressful situation, but the group made vast improvements over 4 days. I was excited to find out that one of my violinists, who rarely is motivated to try hard, was challenged musically. He rose to the challenge!

Madrid was a time of stretching and growth for all of us, but it was also fun to get a taste of Spanish culture!



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Violinists > rehearsing



### Music Festival

*Kandern, Germany*

When I came back from Madrid, the Strings had Music Festival the next day. All the private lesson students at BFA perform solos for judges, and the top performances from each level perform in the Honors Recital at the end of the week.

My students performed well for the most part. It was good to see even the shy students performing with a higher degree of confidence than they had at the beginning of the year.

< Peggy Stuckey gives J.K some tips on her solo.

### Prayer Corner

#### Please pray for....

- Chances to share the Gospel with Isabelle (violin student) and Sofia (stand partner in German orchestra)
- Enough time to practice for the concerts at the end of the year
- Summer plans (staying in Germany)
- Financial support for next year

#### Praises:

- Surviving the month of March
- Rest over Spring Break!
- Students are opening up to me

### What's Up Ahead

- Apr. 17-22 – Spring Getaway Austria
- Apr. 27 – Classes resume
- Apr 30 – Beginning band/orchestra Europa Park trip
- May 4 & 24 – Nursing Home visits
- May 8 – Junior/Senior Banquet, my brother David comes to Germany!
- May 17 – BFA Staff Recital
- May 22 – Kandern Band plays church concert; I'll play violin solo on "Schindler's List"
- May 29 – BFA Spring Concert
- June 3 - Graduation