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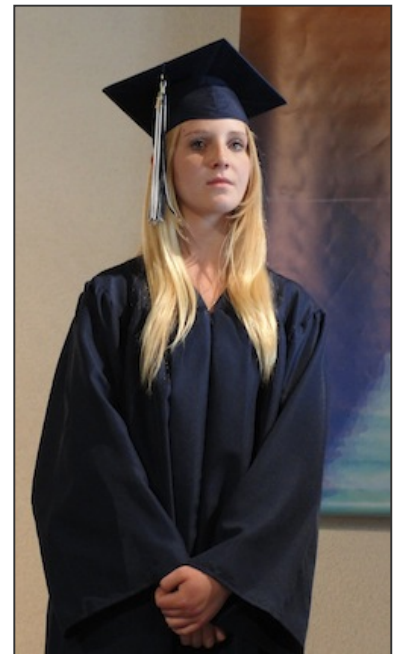
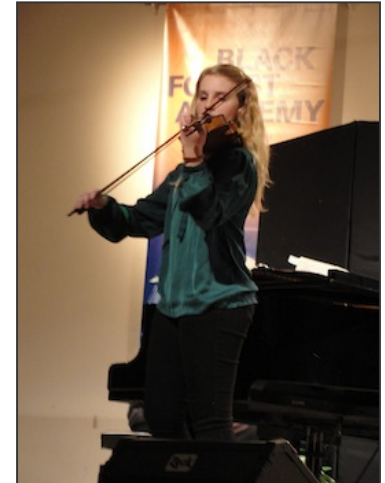
Graduation – to the next step

This year's graduation marked a milestone for 60 BFA students. I've interacted with all of them as class sponsor the last two years, but I want to highlight one now.

Amanda was one of my two original orchestra members. I've taught her violin lessons for the past 3 years. Her family adopted me, feeding me Christmas dinner my first year and taking me downhill skiing.

Throughout the past 3 years, Amanda has grown in confidence in her violin playing. She shared that before I came, she had been thinking of quitting violin. Now she's going to college in California with a music scholarship!

Throughout the years she has also shown spiritual maturity and a servant's heart, traveling to Africa over Spring Break to work with orphans. In our last lesson we talked about keeping faith strong in college. It is my prayer for Amanda and all the other seniors that their faith will grow in this next season of life.



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Currently Reading:

- *Orthodoxy* by G.K. Chesterton
- *Mother Theresa: Come Be my Light – the Private Writings of the Saint of Calcutta* by Brian Kolodiejchuk
- The Bible

Travel Opportunities

Most people get excited about the opportunity to travel to a new place. I get even more excited about the opportunities to talk with people I meet while traveling.

After challenging my high school orchestra to share the Gospel with people God places in their path, God placed several people in my path as I traveled.

As my roommate Emily and I returned from her triathlon in Italy, I struck up a conversation with the Italian lady sitting next to me on the train. She was raised Catholic and still believes in God and Jesus, but says she is ‘fed up’ with the people and the church. After some discussion, she agreed to read the book of John (Giovanni)!

On my flights home, I also had the opportunity to share my faith. Pray for all these seeds that were planted!

Currently Playing:

Violin Works:

- *Nocturne Op. 27 No. 2* by Chopin, transcribed by P. Sarasate
- *A minor Partita* by J.S. Bach

Partnership Development

Well, what am I doing this summer, you may ask? This is not a ‘vacation’ summer or a ‘family time’ summer, though I am getting some quality time with family. The main purpose of coming home this summer is to find new partners in ministry.

My work at BFA is supported not by a salary from the school, but through people like you who contribute to my mission account at WorldVenture. This means that I don’t do ministry alone – I do it with the financial and prayer support of people back here in the States.

I need to raise approximately \$300/month more to be at 100% for the coming year. Several things contribute to this need, but a big one right now is a car. My roommate and I will be borrowing a car from a family who is spending a year in the States. Expenses include insurance, fuel, required preventative checkups, and other unforeseen repairs. Would you consider chipping in \$30/month to cover car insurance?

Thanks for your continued prayers!

Prayer Corner

Please pray for....

- Monthly support to come in for next year
- Travel plans for the summer

Praises:

- A great school year
- Time with family and friends this summer

What’s Up Ahead – Travel plans

- July 3-5 Minnesota
- July 6-14 Seattle
- July 15-19 Denver
- July 19-Aug. 8 Chicago
- Aug. 9 – Back in Germany

