Education and Empowerment: How One School in Kenya is Helping Maasai Girls Find their Voice

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Meet the Girls of Nasaruni

Narok, Kenya













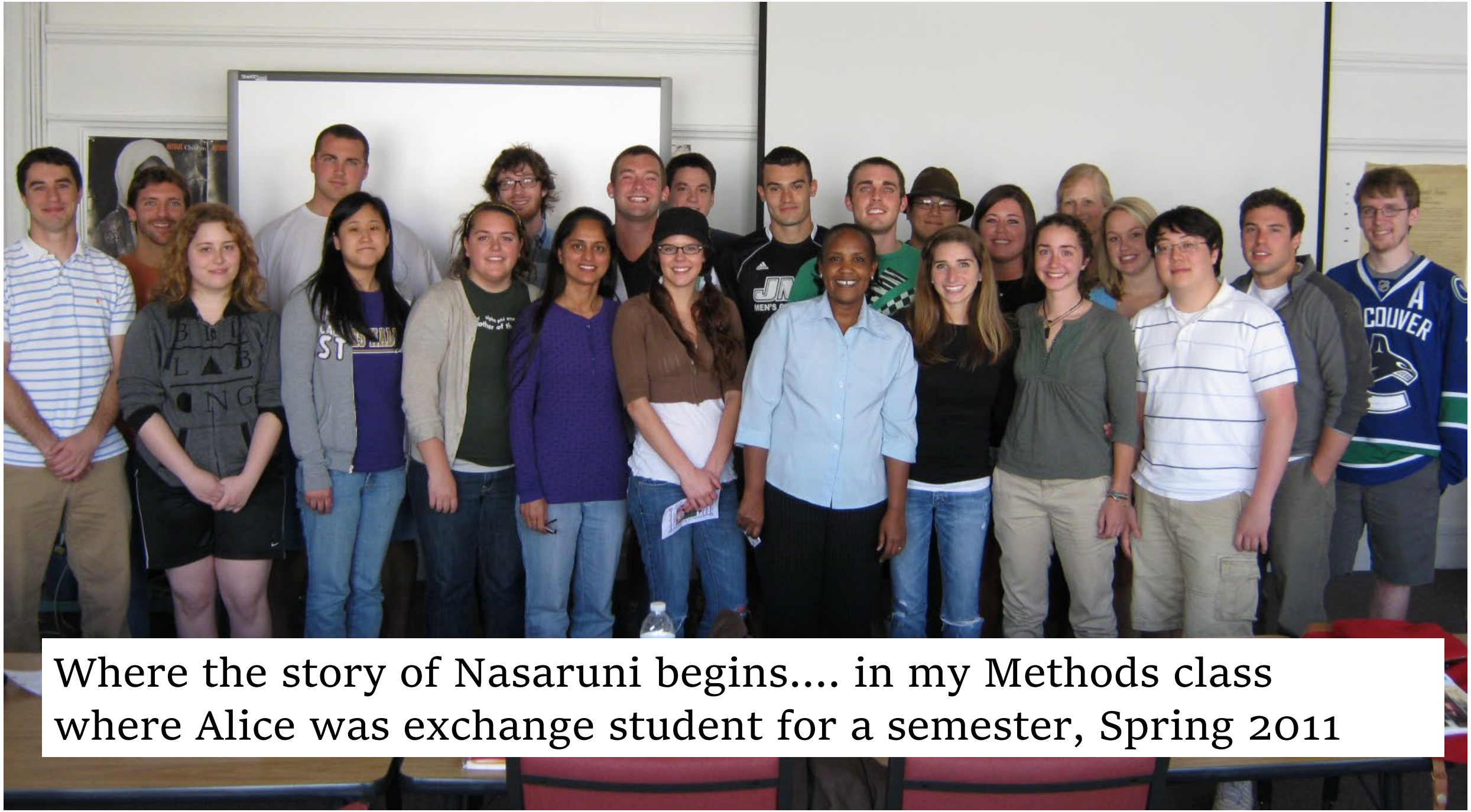






Alice's Dream





Where the story of Nasaruni begins.... in my Methods class where Alice was exchange student for a semester, Spring 2011



2012 Land purchase

Inspired by Alice, JMU students help buy 5 acres



2013 First classroom

13 students first have class under tree, then moved into new classroom



2014 Two Classes

Grew to 23 students, some came by new school van



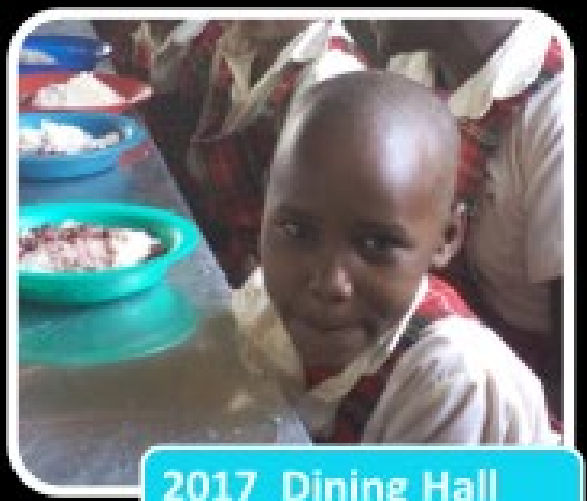
2015 Water!

Well (borehole) drilled 600 ft. and dormitory begun



2016 Dormitory

New dorm opens for 30 girls; 60 girls in school –up to Class 5 (5th grade)

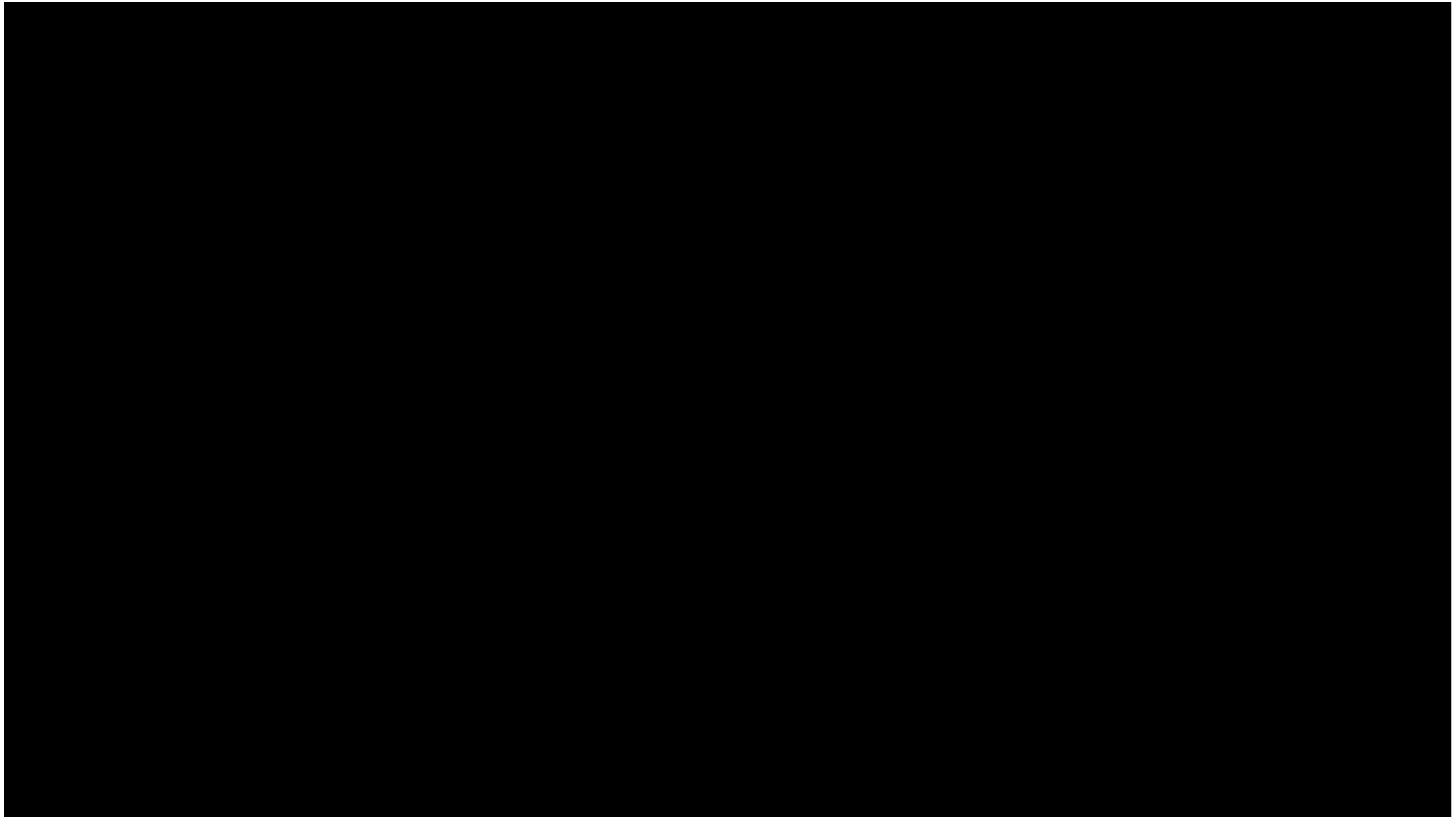


2017 Dining Hall

Dining hall & well pump added; up to 80 girls

First video of Alice – 5 things

https://vimeo.com/clearimpactproductions/5nasaruni



Dining Hall




Three more permanent classrooms built spring 2018






ACADEMY











Outcome: building a library





Girls' Empowerment Summit

Alumni give powerful role models





Teachers' Housing Unit






Delamere
YOGHURT

High School Dormitory

April, 2021





Nasaruni Girls' High School, Sept. 2022

Over 100 girls now in High School







How is Nasaruni helping Maasai girls find their voice?

Learning to grow beans & maize





The power of literacy



She walked 30 miles to come to Nasaruni in late January, 2019.
Now living in dormitory as a student.







Joined Nasaruni as a haven from early marriage, early February, 2019

Nasaruni Birthday Blessing Bucket



For Kristi from Susan
Given in honor of your
50th birthday



Nasaruni Birthday Blessing Bucket: A girl at Nasaruni Academy gets a brand new bucket (used for showers & washing clothes) filled with the things she needs most: 2 soaps for her, new toothbrush, toothpaste, vasoline, lotion, 7 notebooks for school, pencils & pens, erasers, washcloth, pair of flip flops, tissue, and enough





Agency.
Resiliency.
Rewarding hard work.
Empowering confidence.

















