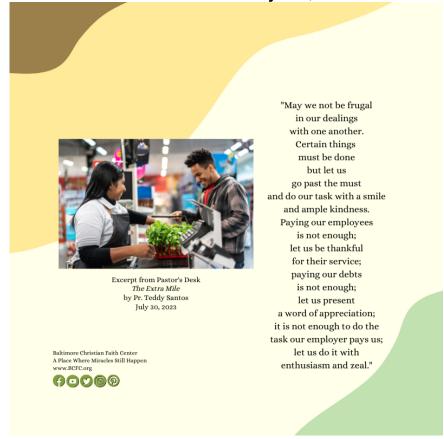
## THE EXTRA MILE

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## **Matthew 5:41** "And whoever compels you to go one mile, go with him two."

In some ways, situations are always happening to us all. We wake up not anticipating any demand or any other circumstance to interrupt the daily routine, and then unexpectedly, a demand flare on us, and we are obliged to go in a direction we never considered. We are inconvenienced to go one mile!

The question now begs: Now that you have accomplished your duty, achieved what you were bound to achieve, given what any other individual would have given, what will you do about the next mile? You had no option about the first; you have an opportunity to choose about the second.

Your move in the optional matter defines whether you have entered into the spirit and ministry of The Lord!

May we not be frugal in our dealings with one another. Certain things must be done but let us go past the must and do our task with a smile and ample kindness. Paying our employees is not enough; let us be thankful for their service; paying our debts is not enough; let us present a word of appreciation; it is not enough to do the task our employer pays us; let us do it with enthusiasm and zeal. As followers of Christ, we are to consistently show love and generous ministry to this ungrateful and deprived world. And with the measure we give, it shall be measured to us again.

Luke 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you."

At His service, Pr. Teddy Santos