

## TEACHERS AS GREAT INVESTORS

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When the pandemic took place two years ago, everyone got affected in terms of employment and earnings because of lockdowns and community quarantine. The number of Covid-19 cases per day which most of the time are increasing not only affected non-professionals but also professionals as well. Included in the list of professionals are not only the doctors, nurses, soldiers but also teachers who took the sacrifice of going to and for the school to print modules and distribute these to the learners amidst the threat of Covid 19 virus spread.

Since minors are not yet vaccinated and are not allowed by the IATF to come out of their houses, their parents are the ones getting the modules and returning this after. The parents' duty is clearly manifested on what Pope Francis said in *Amoris Laetitia* that their most serious duty is to give their children proper education.

Major changes in the way of delivering lessons took place when the pandemic hit and teachers need to make a lot of adjustments in terms of time, effort and other resources needed to deliver as much as possible quality education. But the harsh truth still reveals that our government could not provide all what teachers need not only in terms of materials needed to come up with the kind of quality education parents are expecting.

Teachers who really want to make their students learn go the extra mile by using their own money in buying bond papers, extra bottles of ink and other materials to print modules to be used by their students. Even if it is pandemic, some took the courage to visit their students who are not submitting their tasks on time. Their silent way of doing noble work is further manifested in finding sponsors who could help their students be

provided with basic needs like foods and others especially those who have parents that are jobless. Continuous guidance and encouragement to lagging behind students are also done by dedicated and concerned teachers.

For teachers who went beyond the call of their duties , they invested so much of their time and talent in teaching more their students not only in books, modules and other requirements needed to pass the grade level or course they are taking but more of life coping skills needed now that we are in pandemic. The lessons and wisdom taken from the real-life experiences they had shared to their students somehow placed so much hope to students who are already losing hope that somehow someday things and situation would get better in the future.

Since the youth is the youth, as they say, is the hope of any nation, the youth, the learners the Filipino teachers laboriously teach, generously love and support in different ways now that we are still in the pandemic are the best investment that our country would have in the future.

With all the sacrifices that Filipino teachers make in the pandemic, they are the great investors we ever had, not the engineers, real estate brokers and other professionals because the greatest legacy they leave is the future of the next generation thru quality education they deliver.

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