

June 2017

Dear Links Player,

As I write at the beginning of June, officially speaking summer is not quite here. But if you are already playing more golf, dining on the patio, and taking evening walks, you've succumbed. You're living the summer mindset.

I don't know what your favorite season is. So many golfers love summer for the extra opportunities it gives us to enjoy the game, but I certainly understand those whose preference lies with spring or fall, those shoulder seasons of mild weather and glorious colors. You might even be able to convince me that winter is worth loving—but you'd have to find me under my pile of blankets first!

What occurred to me recently, however, is that while we pay so much attention to the turning of seasons, they have no bearing on the timeliness of the gospel. The good news of salvation in Jesus can be preached at any time. Scripture bears this out, of course. Paul wrote to Timothy:

Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season (2 Timothy 4:2).

You see, there is no bad time to be about the business of talking about who Jesus is and what he has done for us.

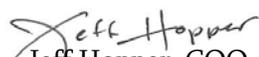
Many of our Links Fellowships happen only seasonally. It's hard to keep a group going in the desert when it's 115° in July and everyone has escaped to cooler climes. We understand that. But our work doesn't stop.

Sometimes our staff escapes with the masses. They visit friends in the north and continue the conversation—what does Jesus' lordship ask of us and how do we serve him best? This is often one-on-one discipling and it has great effect in the lives of those who are engaged in it, both as teachers and as learners.

When we can't be there, we go on producing the Daily Devotional and adding helpful content to our website. That material leads to comments like this:

The reason for reading each morning: It shapes my day. It sets the tone. I'm humbled by the message. I'm left for the remainder of the day with a purpose of sharing peace & love.

Thank you for helping us do our work in every season. There's a financial cost to what we do, and your support helps us stay focused and get it done. In this way, we truly share the work with you!


Jeff Hopper, COO

LINKS PLAYERS INTERNATIONAL

755 N. PEACH AVENUE, SUITE E11, CLOVIS CA 93611 • 800-90-LINKS • WWW.LINKSPLAYERS.COM

Bringing golfers together beyond the game