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Dear Links Player,

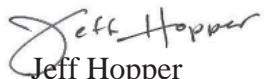
Welcome to the new year! This “greeting” may be a bit late arriving to you, but it’s always nice to share with friends the freshness of mind that comes when we take stock of one season of our life and press forward into the next. A new year has a way of bringing that out in us. I hope you are feeling renewed where you are, especially in the spiritual sense.

At Links Players, we are anticipating some exciting new in-roads in 2010. For the past two years, we have been diligently building our resource base. Because of this we can now offer a variety of Bible studies and devotions to new Links Fellowships, so they can choose the materials most appropriate for their groups. Now it is time to raise awareness about these free resources and how their use can bring spiritual growth to more and more Fellowships around the country.

Additionally, we are pleased to see so many Fellowships take to heart the ‘K’ component of the Links Player’s personal mission: Kindle compassion for the poor and needy. Fellowships are becoming involved with local mercy and outreach projects like never before. We are building ways to encourage this kind of interest and involvement in line with 1 Timothy 6:17-19, which includes these words: “As for the rich in this present age, charge them...to be generous and ready to share.”

And as you will see in our annual magazine, which will be released in early February, all of this is supported by our simple, ongoing emphasis on authentic community in Christ, with men and women spurring “one another on in love and good deeds” (Hebrews 10:24). In His wisdom, God always seems to thread a powerful theme through the variety of articles that we collect, and this year’s theme in the Links Players magazine (formerly the Links Letter) is that of friendship in the name and spirit of the Lord.

Keeping that in mind, I thank you on behalf of our whole staff for the friendship you have forged with Links Players. It is a great privilege in God’s kingdom to share this with you.


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