The Sweet Spot

If you play golf, you know how important it is to hit the ball at just the right spot on the club face. And if you have kept up with the latest advancements in golf equipment, you also know that it is becoming easier to do just that.

A golf pro recently described the newest drivers and irons as being very "forgiving." He explained that the improved metal-head woods, featherweight clubs and hollow-back irons have expanded what is often referred to as the "sweet spot" on the club. He said that it is now possible to hit the ball on the heel or the toe of the club and still get good distance.

His comment strikes me as very interesting. The idea of a golf club that has a large and forgiving "sweet spot" suggests how we should respond to one another – as associates in Life Care, Century Park and Life Care at Home and, of course, as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Instead of being like the old, unforgiving club that required near-perfect performance, we should be like the new club that is generous with the faults of the golfer – understanding, of course, that we are all working together to improve our "game." We should have a large "sweet spot" that provides room to forgive the repentant.

--Beecher Hunter