

Welcome

Morning Star Cemetery Organization Community Outreach Meeting

February 21, 2026

Mission: To care for Our Community Cemetery



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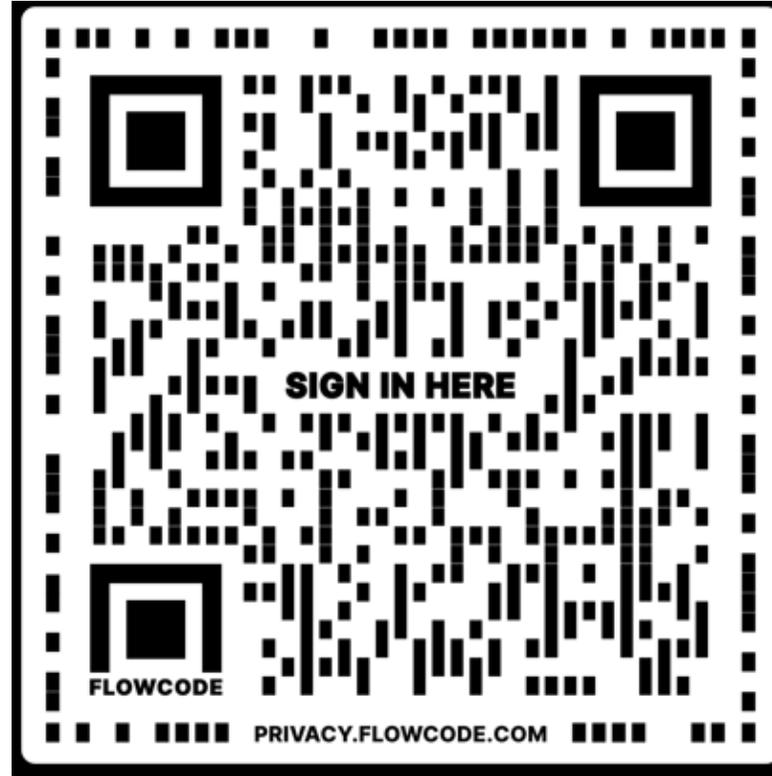
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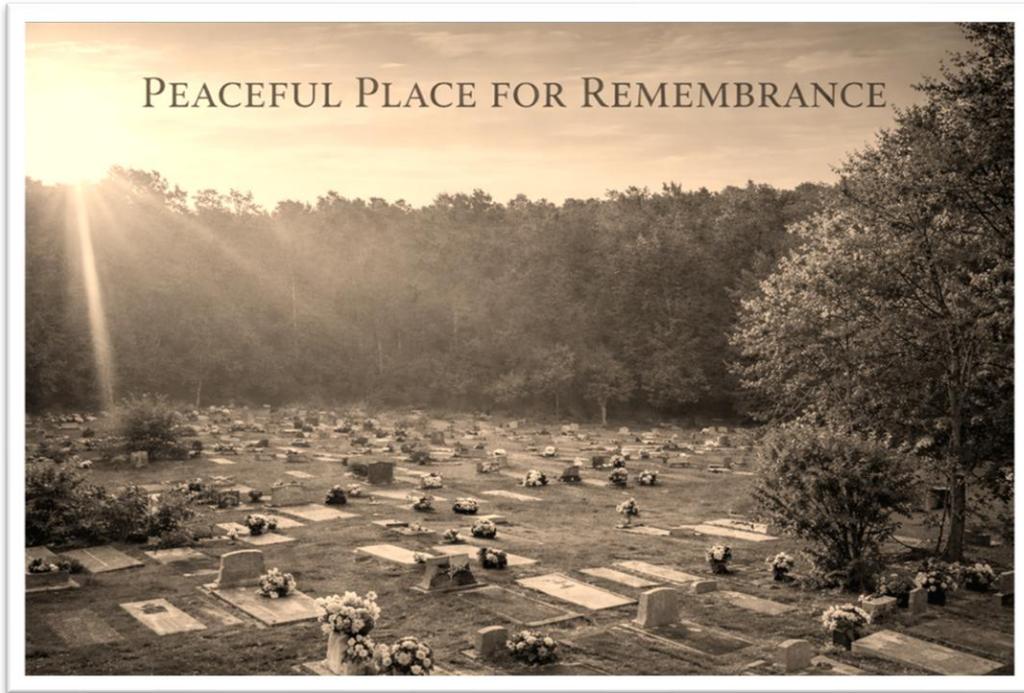
Community Sign-In



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If you prefer, a printed sign-in sheet is also available

Scan to Receive the Full Community Report



Thank you for your support!

Community Outreach Meeting Agenda



Welcome & Opening Remarks

Introduction of Leadership & Partners

2025 Accomplishments

Financial Overview

Community Clean- Up Impact

Grave Finder Achievement

Cemetery Guidelines

2026 Strategic Plan

Questions & Feedback

Leadership & Community Partnerships

Committee Members

Verdell Dees- **Chairwoman**

Bishop Victor Creagh- **Vice Chairman**

Berithia Frazier- **Treasurer**

Minister James Trotter- **Parliamentarian**

Torie French- **Fundraiser Planner**

Samika Chapman- **Secretary**

Minister Credell Bolden

Jeanette McGaskill

Jessica Clark

Clara Jackson

Marcellious Jones

Minister Ralphael Patrick

Community Church Partners

Pine Grove Missionary Baptist Church

Spirit & Truth Christian Center

Greater Mt. Olive Primitive Baptist
Church

Overcome Church of God Pentecostal

First Church of God #1

Special Recognition

Town of Mt. Vernon

Baker Family

*Morning Star Cemetery continues to thrive because of the leadership, churches, sponsors,
and community members who stand with us.*

2025 Accomplishment: Financial Report

Over 100 individuals and 6 churches partnered with Morning Star in 2025

Key Numbers

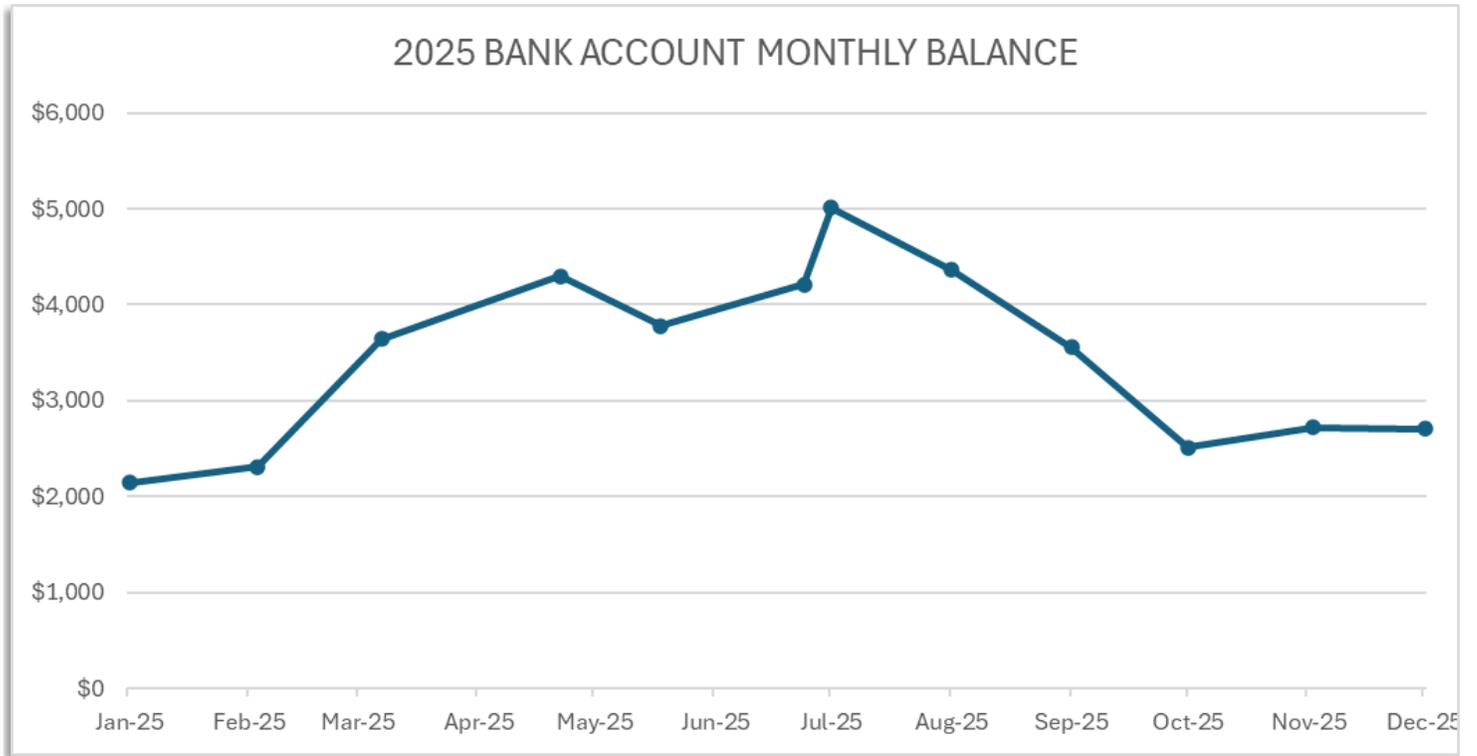
- ✓ Total Donations Received: **\$5,260**
- ✓ Individual Donations: **\$3,030**
(101 Individual Donors)
- ✓ Church Donations: **\$1,470**
(6 Churches)
- ✓ Pledges & Community Support: **\$740**

Donation Distribution

Individual---- 58% **Church---- 28%** **Pledges---- 14%**

- ✓ Professional Lawn Care Expense: **\$4,800**
- ✓ 2025 Ending Balance: **\$2,709.84**

2025 BANK ACCOUNT MONTHLY BALANCE



2025 Accomplishment: Community Impact

11 Total Cuts

Schedule: 2 Cuts per Month (April – September)

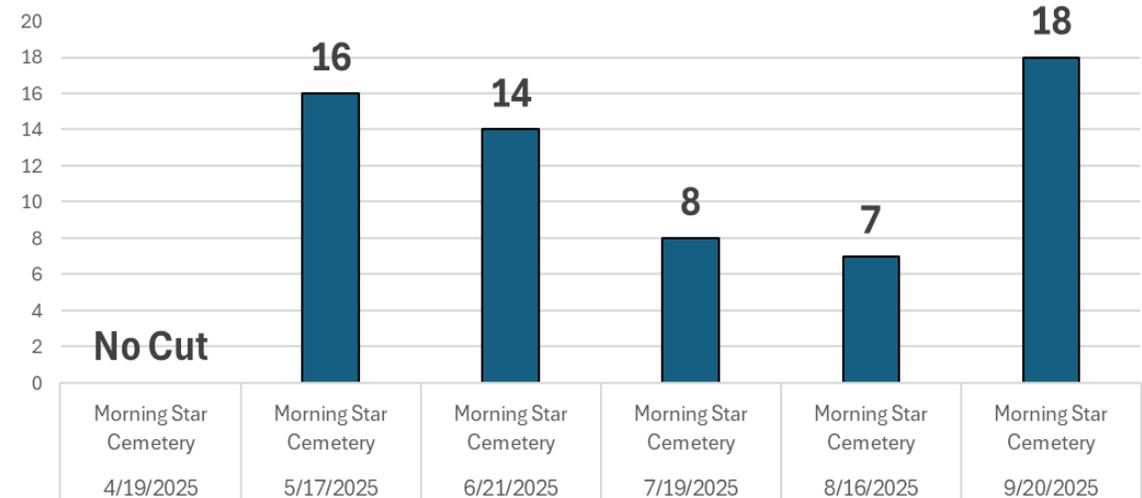
5 Community Cuts

- Held every 3rd Saturday
- Average of 13 Volunteers per cut

6 Professional Cuts

- Contracted to Williams Lawn Care
- Scheduled every 1st Saturday

2025 Total Community Clean-up Volunteers



Community volunteers and professional lawn care worked together to preserve the dignity of Morning Star Cemetery

2025 Accomplishment: Preserving Our Legacy

Through Care & Innovation

Honoring every life while protecting our grounds



Find a Grave Initiative

- ✓ 997 Graves Identified
- ✓ 400 + Memorials Uploaded
- ✓ Families can now locate loved ones online
- ✓ Historical records are being preserved

Every memorial recorded ensures a life is remembered for generations



Cemetery Care Guidelines

- ✓ No Solar Lights
- ✓ Keep decorations off the ground
- ✓ Remove loose items that interfere with mowing

These guidelines help maintain a safe, respectful, and beautifully kept resting place.

2026 Progress Snapshot

- ✓ **33 Donors Secured-\$990**
- ✓ **Bank Balance: \$3,738.35**

Community Support

- ✓ Annual Donor Goal
240 Supporters
- ✓ Church Partnership Goal
5 Churches
- ✓ Fundraiser: June 20, 2026
Mt. Olive Primitive Baptist Church
Fellowship Hall
Fundraiser Goal - 100 plates

Operations Schedule

- ✓ **15 Total Lawn Cuts**
Beginning March 2026
 - **1st Saturday:**
Professional Lawn Service
 - **3rd Saturday**
Community Clean-up
- ✓ Independent Open/ Close Contractor
Jessie McConoco, Ph# **251 769-7062**
\$300 per service

Priorities

- ✓ Plan for Future Cemetery Expansion
- ✓ Maintain and Update Find A Grave Records
- ✓ Pursue Historic Cemetery Designation
- ✓ Establish 501 (c)3 Nonprofit Status



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QUESTIONS & FEEDBACK



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