

**WEDDING POLICY ~ MORNING STAR COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
**[Revised October 2014]**

**OUR STANCE AND OUR PROMISE**

*Have you not read that He who created them from the beginning made them male and female, and said, "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh"?*

*So they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let no man separate. ~ Jesus, Matthew 19:4-6*

Believing that marriage is an institution ordained, established, and blessed, by God alone, **Morning Star Community Church** teaches, counsels, practices, marriage according to the Biblical principles of God's Word.

Every single wedding performed, and marriage lived out, following biblical principles, establishes an amazing home of love and goodness. We can promise that if you are sincere in walking in God's Truth, your marriage, likewise, will be rich and full of love; and the home you are establishing will have His peace over it.

Therefore, any couple wishing to be married either at the church, or by the Pastor, must be willing to follow God's plan. Included are the following guidelines:

- 1) Marriage consists of one man and one woman; anything outside of that is against biblical principles and is not acceptable.
- 2) Living together before marriage is not only against biblical truth, but is also detrimental for the well-being of the marriage; if any couple is living together, they must be willing to physically separate immediately and remain so until marriage.
- 3) Sufficient pre-marriage counseling as the Pastor deems necessary in order to give each couple the maximum benefit of biblical truth to make their marriage all God intends.
- 4) An initial meeting with the Pastor to determine to his satisfaction that the couple intend to make their marriage one that honors God.
- 5) It is expected that the wedding service, including all music, along with any rehearsal and/or reception, be conducted in accordance with proper biblical decorum. There will be no alcoholic beverages served. Please honor the sanctity of the church and grounds by not smoking or use of inappropriate music or dancing.

**OUTSIDE MINISTERS**

Only those ministers who likewise share our belief that God ordains marriage will be considered for conducting a wedding ceremony. They must be approved by the Pastor and the Board of Elders sufficiently ahead of time.

**RESERVATIONS**

Requests for weddings, receptions, rehearsal dates, must be made with the church giving sufficient time for sending invitations and making public announcements.

**SCHEDULE OF FEES**

There are **no fees** for members, associate members, their children and grandchildren. Financial arrangements can be made with the person(s) providing the service (i.e., custodial, sound system, music, etc.)

For all others, there will be a damage deposit of \$200, refundable.

Non-Members: the following is a list of fees:

Minister .....	\$75
Musician (from the church) .....	\$50 each
Custodian (Sanctuary) .....	\$50
Custodian (Reception).....	\$50
Sound system operator* .....	\$50
*Sound system <b>must</b> be operated under the direction of one of our technicians.	
Church use .....	\$100

**ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- 1) Please coordinate with the church office the need for special arrangements, set-up of chairs and any additional needs for equipment.
- 2) Use of candles, flower petals, rice, bubbles, and all other decorative or celebratory items must be cleared with the church office before use.
- 3) While we value your possessions, please secure all personal items, as we cannot be responsible for any loss.
- 4) Since this policy cannot possibly cover all contingencies, please ask beforehand if you have any unusual or special considerations, needs, wedding rituals, or anything else not explicitly outlined.

**WEDDING CEREMONY APPLICATION**  
**for weddings held at**  
**Morning Star Community Church**  
 23628 Red Feather Lakes – PO Box 530  
 Colorado 80545

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

GROOM: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

BRIDE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Rehearsal: \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Rehearsal: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Ceremony: \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Ceremony: \_\_\_\_\_

WEDDING SERVICE NEEDED	YES	NO	FEE
Church Use			\$100
Custodian for Sanctuary			\$50
Sound System Operator*			\$50
Minister			\$75
Minister-Premarital counseling			\$200
Organist			\$50
Pianist			\$50
Soloist			\$50
Custodian for Reception Cleanup			\$50
Damage Deposit (refundable)			\$200
No fee for members, associate members & their children or grandchildren			
<b>TOTAL (due 2 weeks before)</b>			
<i>*Sound system MUST be operated under direction of one of our church technicians.</i>			

We have read the Wedding Policy and agree to all its stipulations:

GROOM \_\_\_\_\_

BRIDE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to MSCC at above address or email to [dburdette81@aol.com](mailto:dburdette81@aol.com)  
 or FAX to Morning Star dedicated church fax: 970-881-3437