

*H. H. Ness
Pastor of Fargo
Gospel Tabernacle*



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Before his salvation, Brother Henry H. Ness had engaged in the drug business, and also was employed by the Standard Oil Company in the St. Paul territory.

The Christian home and praying mother were strong influences in bringing about his salvation. Having seen the power of the Spirit's outpouring in Norway, Brother Ness was not satisfied with dead formality, and so immediately sought the fellowship of Spirit-filled people as soon as he was saved.

We were glad to welcome Brother Ness into our fellowship in 1924 and immediately he became leader of the Young People's Society, holding a good number of services in various parts of Minneapolis.

The call to Christian service became so strong in his heart, that in the fall of 1925, Brother Ness resigned his splendid position with the Standard Oil Co., and went to Brainerd, Minn. While at Brainerd, he received the baptism in the Spirit, and also became pastor of the church there. God richly blessed his efforts and many souls were saved, and the church was greatly revived.

Brother Ness also spent some time in evangelistic work. Early in 1927 he answered a call to come to Fargo. Just a small number of believers held meetings in a home, but they were praying for revival.

The growth of the church in Fargo has been remarkable. From a small beginning in a home, meetings have been held in five or six different places in Fargo, until in 1930, God gave the assembly a splendid Tabernacle in which to worship God. Today the membership in Fargo is about 225, and a fine building costing about \$30,000 has been erected for a church home.

Brother Ness has also taken an active part in the District work and been a District Presbyter for a number of years.