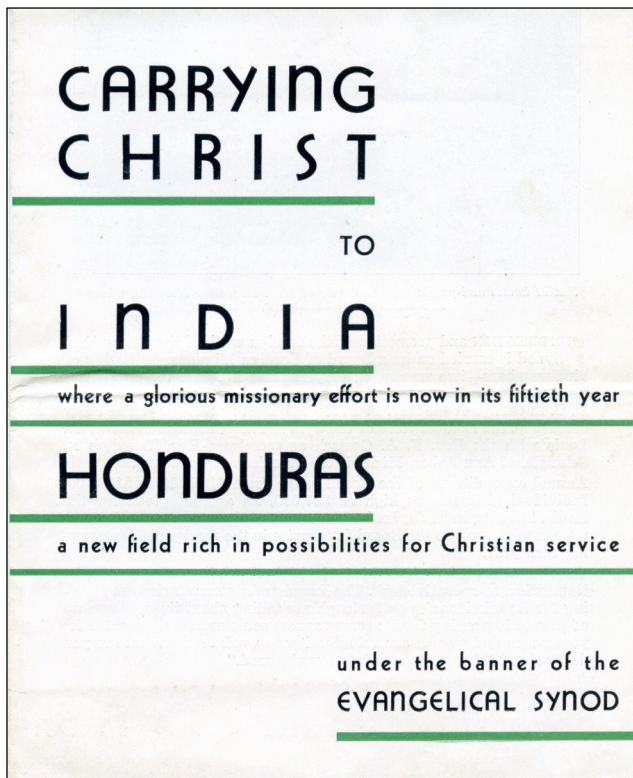


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April 12 | The Evangelical Synod Board of Foreign Missions



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The Evangelical Synod Board of Foreign Missions incorporated in 1922. The foreign missionary work of the Evangelical Synod of North America began when the German Evangelical Synod of N.A. assumed the support and administration of the existing German Evangelical Mission in India on May 20, 1884. A denominational board, *Die Heidenmissions-Behörde*, was created to do this work.

Through the following decades, the mission effort in India expanded, even during the turmoil of World War I. When the Board of Foreign Mission began to expand its workload by developing a second mission field in Honduras, it seemed desirable to alter its status “into an entity separate from and independent of, but still affiliated with the German Evangelical Synod of North America, in order

that said Board for Foreign Mission may perform acts on its own account independently of, but in accordance with the canons of the German Evangelical Synod of North America” (Bd. of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Synod of North America, Minutes, Oct. 18, 1921). The official act of incorporation took place on April 12, 1922 in Baltimore, Maryland