

## CHARLES, DAVID, II (1803 - 1880), Calvinistic Methodist minister and hymnist

Name: David Charles Date of birth: 1803 Date of death: 1880

Gender: Male

Spouse: Ann Charles (née Milnes) Spouse: Sarah Charles (née Charles) Child: David Roberts Charles Parent: David Charles

Occupation: Calvinistic Methodist minister and hymnist

**Area of activity:** Poetry; Religion **Author:** Thomas lorwerth Ellis

Son of David Charles I, was born at Carmarthen. He was educated at the grammar school and the Presbyterian college at that town, and entered his father's business. Subsequently, like him, he began to preach in middle age, and was ordained to the ministry in 1851. He held a number of connexional offices, being joint-secretary of Trevecka college from 1842 to 1852, and moderator of the Association in the South in 1853. In 1823 he edited and published a monthly magazine, *Yr Addysgydd*: this contained hymns of his, both original and translated. He was mainly responsible for the editorial work in connection with the collection of hymns published in 1841 for the use of the Calvinistic Methodist connexion, and some of his hymns retain their popularity to this day. He married (1) Sarah, daughter of Thomas Rice Charles - she died 1833; (2) Ann, daughter of Richard Roberts, Liverpool. He died at his son's house, 10 May 1880, and is buried at Ulverston, Lancashire.

Thomas Iorwerth Ellis, (1899 - 1970)

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