

## DAVID, PHILIP (1709 - 1787), Independent minister of Penmain, Monmouth;

**Name:** Philip David  
**Date of birth:** 1709  
**Date of death:** 1787  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** Independent minister  
**Area of activity:** Religion  
**Author:** Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born in the Ebbw Fawr valley, Monmouthshire, 11 June 1709. His thoughts were turned to religion by the preaching of **James Davies** of Merthyr Tydfil (died 1760), c. 1720. He began preaching in 1732, and in 1739 was ordained co-pastor of Penmain to assist David Williams (who had been there since 1710, and remained there till his death in 1759). Philip David was then pastor till he died 3 February 1787. The church kept a level membership of about 100 throughout his pastorate. He was a man of conservative and crabbed temperament, and his manuscript diaries are highly interesting, reflecting as they do the prejudice of 'dry Dissent' against the Methodistical tendencies which were winning the day among Welsh Independents in Philip David's later years. **Philip Charles** of Cefn-coed-cymer was a nephew of his.

### Author

**Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins**, (1881 - 1969)

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