

## EVANS, DAVID (1744 - 1821), Baptist minister

**Name:** David Evans  
**Date of birth:** 1744  
**Date of death:** 1821  
**Child:** John Evans  
**Child:** David Davies Evans  
**Parent:** David Evans  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** Baptist minister  
**Area of activity:** Religion  
**Author:** William Joseph Rhys

Born near Aberporth, Cardiganshire, son of David Evans, fisherman. He worked on several farms between 1754 and 1774. He seldom went to a religious service until he began to attend Hawen Congregational chapel in 1767. He refused to join either the Congregationalists or the Calvinistic Methodists but was baptized at Cilfowyr, 1770, when he was chief manservant at Dol-goch, Troed-yr-aur; soon afterwards he was persuaded to preach. He married in 1774 and took a smallholding near Troed-yr-aur. He and **John Richards** (died 1808) were ordained at Newcastle Emlyn, 1778. On behalf of the Welsh Baptist mission he visited North Wales thirteen times. From 1787 until 1817 he looked after Maes-y-berllan (near Brecon) and its branches; he also started causes at Crickadarn and Brecon. Two of his sons, JOHN EVANS and **David D. Evans**, Pont-rhyd-yr-ynn (1787 - 1858), became ministers. He died 24 October 1821.

### Author

Reverend **William Joseph Rhys**, (1880 - 1967)

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