

JONES, EVAN (TALFRYN) (1857 - 1935), Baptist minister

Name: Evan (Talfryn) Jones
Date of birth: 1857
Date of death: 1935
Parent: Mary Jones
Parent: Evan Jones
Gender: Male
Occupation: Baptist minister
Area of activity: Religion
Author: Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born 26 May 1857 at Moel-y-crio, Halkin, Flintshire, the eleventh of the twelve children of Evan and Mary Jones. His parents were Calvinistic Methodists, but the son joined the Baptist church of Aion, Pont-y-gof, was baptized there 24 March 1872, and began preaching in 1878. He went to a school at Llangollen in 1879, and to the Baptist college there in 1880, and afterwards became minister at Pont-y-gof (1881), Penrhyn-coch (1882), Blaen-y-waun (March 1883), and Llwyn-y-pia (May 1892). On 23 December 1900 he began his ministry at Zion, Llanelli, and spent the rest of his days there. He was incapacitated from August 1918 till March 1923, but then resumed his work, retiring finally in December 1929; he died 6 July 1935. By common consent he was one of the greatest Welsh preachers of his day. Further, he took a keen interest in the history of his denomination, and *Trafodion Cymdeithas Hanes Bedyddwyr Cymru* contains three valuable papers by him - in 1908-9 on **Titus Lewis**, in 1913-14 on the Cilfowyr church, and in 1932 on the Baptist historian **David Jones** of Carmarthen.

Author

Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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