

RICHARD, JOHN (fl. 1743-1784), Calvinistic Methodist exhorter, and hymn-writer

Name: John Richard Gender: Male Occupation: Calvinistic Methodist exhorter, and hymn-writer Area of activity: Poetry; Religion Author: Gomer Morgan Roberts

who lived at Llansamlet, Glamorganshire. He is referred to as an exhorter at the Llanddeusant Association of 1743, and his progress can be traced for many years. When the split occurred between Howel Harris and Daniel Rowland, he allied himself with the former but, shortly afterwards, left him and joined the Rowland party. He is known to have been present at the Llangeitho Association in 1778. The entry relating to his burial is to be found in the Llansamlet register, 26 December 1784. In 1747 he published two small books, *Hymn Fuddjol ac Angenredjol* and *Hymnau Byddiol*, etc.. both of which were printed at Carmarthen. The hymns, which at one time were attributed to John Richard of Bryniog Uchaf, are of no particular value. There are several of his letters among the Trevecka manuscripts.

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Sources

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