

## EVANS, JAMES THOMAS (1878 - 1950), principal of the Baptist College, Bangor

**Name:** James Thomas Evans  
**Date of birth:** 1878  
**Date of death:** 1950  
**Spouse:** Annie Evans (née Humphreys)  
**Parent:** Ann Evans (née Williams)  
**Parent:** William Evans  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** principal of the Baptist College, Bangor  
**Area of activity:** Education; Religion  
**Author:** Tom Ellis Jones

Born 1 March 1878 at Abercwmboi, Aberdare, Glamorganshire, son of William Evans and his wife Ann Williams. The family moved to Pont-y-gwaith, and it was there that the son began to preach. He spent some time at the Pontypridd Academy before his admission to the college and the university at Bangor in 1900, where he took an honours degree in Hebrew. He won the Dean Edwards prize and the George Osborne Morgan scholarship, and then proceeded to Leipzig to pursue a further course of study. He obtained the M.A. degree of the University of Wales in 1905 and the London degree of B.D. in 1910. In 1906 he was elected to succeed **Dr. T. Witton Davies** as professor of Hebrew at the Baptist College, and in 1923 followed **Silas Morris** as principal of the college. He published many articles, a commentary on the Book of Amos (1924), and was one of the assistant-editors of *Y Geiriadur Beiblaidd* (1926). He also published a useful handbook on Old Testament religion (*Llawlyfr ar grefydd yr Hen Destament*, 1928). He was president of the Arfon Baptist association, and he rendered valuable service to his denomination over many years in the churches of north Wales. He married Annie Humphreys, 18 September 1907. He died 28 February 1950 and was buried in Glanwydden cemetery.

### Author

Reverend Principal **Tom Ellis Jones**, (1900 - 1975)

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