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BLOOM, MILBOURN (died 1766), Independent minister

Name: Milbourn Bloom Date of death: 1766 Gender: Male Occupation: Independent minister Area of activity: Religion Author: Robert Thomas Jenkins

The date of his birth is not known; tradition connects him with the Blooms of Castell Pigyn (Abergwili); NLW MS 5456A in the N.L.W. shows that his home was within an hour's walk from Carmarthen. He emerges in March 1743 (records of the Methodist Association, N.L.W.) as 'public exhorter' (i.e. itinerant), and he was in charge of several societies south of the Towy. But in September of the same year he parted with Methodism (Trevecka letter 973, and another letter printed in H. J. Hughes, *Life of Howell Harris*, 270), and decided to enter the Independent ministry, being admitted c. 13 September member of Pant Teg church, then under Christmas Samuel. There are references to him, throughout 1744, in Thomas Morgan's diary (NLW MS 5456A). On 26 September 1745 (Cilgwyn church book, in *Cofiadur*, 1923) he was ordained to assist Samuel. He was pastor of Pen-y-graig from 1748 to 1757; but in 1757 a grant from the Presbyterian Fund shows him to have been at Gwernogle, whence, in the same year, he removed to Pentre-ty-gwyn. He died, according to his friend Thomas Morgan, in 1766.

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Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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