

DAVIES, EVAN (1805 - 1864), missionary under the London Missionary Society, Independent minister, and author

Name: Evan Davies

Date of birth: 1805

Date of death: 1864

Gender: Male

Occupation: missionary under the London Missionary Society, Independent minister, and author

Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Religion

Author: Evan Lewis Evans

Born at Hengwm in the parish of Lledrod, Cardiganshire, in 1805. He was brought up in that neighbourhood, apprenticed to a draper, and later went to join his father in London. He joined the Independents in Little Guildford Street (the Boro'), but in 1827 returned to Mynydd-bach near Swansea. There he started to preach. He then went for a preparatory course to the Neuadd-lwyd school at Pen-y-banc under [Dr. Thomas Phillips](#) (1772 - 1842), after which he was admitted to the Independent College (Western Academy) at Exeter. He was ordained minister of Great Torrington church, Devon, but in 1835 was accepted by the London Missionary Society and sent out to Penang in the Malacca Straits. He returned in 1840, his health having broken down. He became successively agent for the mission (1840-2), superintendent of the Boys' Mission School, Walthamstow (1842-4), and minister at Richmond, Surrey (1844-1857), and Heywood, Manchester (1857-9). He moved to Dalston in 1863 and died at Crug-y-bar, Carmarthenshire, 18 June 1864. He published a number of scholarly works: *China and her Spiritual Claims*; *Memoirs of the Rev. Samuel Dyer*; *An Appeal to Reason and Good Conscience of Catholics*; *Rest: Lectures on the Sabbath*. He also edited and published *Letters of the Rev. Samuel Dyer to his Children*; *Lectures on Christian Theology* (Payne); *The Works of the late Rev. Edward Williams of Rotherham*.

Author

Reverend Dr Evan Lewis Evans, (1898 - 1978)

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