

EVAN, EVAN DAFYDD (fl. 1771-9), an early Methodist exhorter

Name: Evan Dafydd Evan
Gender: Male
Occupation: early Methodist exhorter
Area of activity: Religion
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who lived at Tir-clai (or Tir-y-clai), Llanfynydd, Carmarthenshire. He was celebrated in his day because of his remarkable appearance and his unconventional method of preaching; he was responsible for the conversion of the celebrated [Jenkin Thomas](#) ('Siencyn Penhydd,' 1746 - 1807). He, with others, built the first Methodist chapel at Llanfynydd c. 1771. He is called 'Evan David of Tir y Clai, Cordwainer' in the will of [Morgan Rhys](#), 1779 - he was one of the executors of the last will of that hymn-writer. The date of his death is not known.

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