

Name: Edward Jones Date of birth: 1826 Date of death: 1902 Spouse: Elizabeth Jones (née Roberts) Parent: Gwen Jones Gender: Male Occupation: Calvinistic Methodist historian Area of activity: History and Culture; Religion Author: Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born at Cae-garw, Dyffryn Ardudwy, Meironnydd, to John and Gwen Jones. The father died when the son was but a child, and Edward worked on farms up to 1853, when he went to Bala College with a view to becoming a schoolmaster. After training at Borough Road, he was for a short time a teacher at Blaenau Ffestiniog, but in 1854 was given a school at Llanllechid, Caernarfonshire, where he remained till 1879, and where he married Elizabeth Roberts. In 1879 he removed to Bangor, becoming an elder in Hirael C.M. church - at his death he had been an elder for forty-three years all told, in three churches. He married as his second wife a daughter of John Owen (1808 - 1876) of Tyn-Ilwyn. At 73, he removed to Portdinorwic (Felinheli), where he died 1 March 1902; he was buried in Pant Glas burial-ground. Besides various handbooks for the Sunday school, he published (in *Y Drysorfa*, 1901 and 1902) articles on old Welsh printers. But his main concern was with the history of his connexion; his materials on the history of the C.M. churches of Bangor and its district were utilized by William Hobley; and he himself published in 1891 *Hanes Dechreuad a Chynydd y M.C. yn Llanllechid*. But he deserves remembrance chiefly for his substantial book *Y Gymdeithasfa* (1891), which gives a valuable account of the constitutional development of the North Wales C.M. Association.

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