

## MORGAN, WILLIAM (1801 - 1872), Baptist minister

**Name:** William Morgan  
**Date of birth:** 1801  
**Date of death:** 1872  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** Baptist minister  
**Area of activity:** Religion  
**Author:** William Joseph Rhys

Born early in 1801 near Newport, Pembrokeshire. He was originally an Independent but, about 1818, when he was working for W. Griffiths, minister of Tabor, Dinas Cross, he joined the Baptists and began to preach. He went to the Blaen-y-waun district to learn boot-making but when the church there discovered his talent it sent him for a year to the school kept by [William Owen](#) (1789 - 1841) at Cardigan. He then spent two years at Abergavenny College. Towards the end of 1824 he received a call to Holyhead and was ordained 18 April 1825 - the first Baptist to be ordained in Anglesey; there, he was unequalled except by [Christmas Evans](#). He was, says [Robert Jones](#) (1806 - 1896) of Llanllyfni, as able as [John Elias](#), but not as lucid. He joined issue with other able men in *Y Bedyddiwr*, wrote an elegy, and a *Cofiant* in memory of Robert Williams of Ruthin, and published *Cofiant a Gweithiau Christmas Evans*, the profits of which he made over to [Evans](#)'s widow. His masterpiece, however, was *Cysondeb y Ffydd* (672 pages). He died of a stroke, 15 September 1872.

### Author

Reverend William Joseph Rhys, (1880 - 1967)

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