

## HUGHES, ROBERT RICHARD (1872 - 1957), minister (Presb.), and author

**Name:** Robert Richard Hughes  
**Date of birth:** 1872  
**Date of death:** 1957  
**Spouse:** Margaret Ann Hughes (née Lewis)  
**Parent:** Margaret Hughes  
**Parent:** Thomas Hughes  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** minister (Presb.), and author  
**Area of activity:** Literature and Writing; Religion  
**Author:** Gomer Morgan Roberts

Born 2 January 1872, in Pont Myfyrian, a cottage near the railway, not far from Brynsiencyn and Gaerwen, Anglesey, son of Thomas and Margaret Hughes. He was educated in Llanidan British school; St. John's School, Menai Bridge; Oswestry High School; University College, Bangor (where he obtained a B.A. degree of the University of London); and Bala College. He was brought up in Brynsiencyn church under the ministry of [John Williams](#) (1854 - 1921), and when the latter was called to Liverpool he himself was called to succeed him for a short while (1896-97). He was ordained in 1898, and became minister of Ebeneser, Kingsland, Holyhead (1898-1913), Chatham St., Liverpool (1913-22), and Newborough (1922-47). In 1897 he married Margaret Ann Lewis from Bootle, but who was originally from Bontnewydd, Caernarfonshire; they had a son and daughter. He made his home in Holyhead after retiring, and died there 23 September 1957. He was buried in Maeshyfyrd cemetery, Holyhead.

He was a man of influence in his denomination, becoming Moderator of the Association in the North (1940) and of the General Assembly (1946). He was a leading member of the Commission for Reconstruction of the Presbyterian Church of Wales, and was one of the four who formulated the Shorter Declaration of Faith and Practice in 1921. He was co-editor of *Y Llusern* for some years, and editor of *Y Goleuad* in 1931. He contributed articles to *Y Goleuad* and other periodicals of his denomination and published a standard biography of his old minister, [John Williams](#), Brynsiencyn, in 1929. In 1931 he delivered the Davies Lecture, being an inquiry into man's belief in his own immortality, which was published in 1939 under the title *Dyn a'i dynged*.

### Author

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