## WILLIAMS, WILLIAM WYN (1876 - 1936), minister and poet

Name: William Wyn Williams Date of birth: 1876 Date of death: 1936 Spouse: Kate Williams (née Pritchard) Gender: Male Occupation: minister and poet Area of activity: Poetry; Religion Author: Bedwyr Lewis Jones

Born in Blaenau Ffestiniog, Merionethshire, 12 July 1876, of a religious family from the district of Bowydd. He was a pupilteacher in Tanygrisiau before entering Bangor Normal College. He then became a teacher in the neighbourhood of Wrexham. He began to preach and went to University College and Theological College, both at Aberystwyth. In 1909 he was inducted minister of Moriah (Presb.), Llanystumdwy; in 1921 he moved to Salem, Dolgellau, and thence to Glan-rhyd, Llanwnda in 1925. He published two volumes of poems *Wrth Borth yr Awen* (1909) and *Caniadau* (1911). A shy and musical person, he suffered ill health, and spent a year travelling through U.S.A. and Patagonia and climbing the Andes to recover his health. He married Kate Pritchard of Betws Garmon in 1927 and they had a son. He died 12 November 1936.

## Author

Bedwyr Lewis Jones, (1933 - 1992)

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