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## **THREE SUPERIORS GENERAL**



Two former Superiors General, Frs Jan Hulshof and John Hannan who were in Rome for the European Provincial Chapter, were special guests in the General House. They joined Fr John Larsen and the

General House community for a meal. It was a coincidence that the three of them were together for the feast of Holy Trinity.

## **BLESSING OF THE HARMONY CENTRE, RANONG**



During an interreligious and intercultural celebration on 10 June, the *Marist Harmony Centre* in Ranong was blessed in the presence of many faithful and their religious leaders, the Imam, Monks and Catholic priests and also other civil authorities.



The Centre envisions harmony in cultural and religious diversity in Ranong and beyond. Its mission is to create a space for dialogue, mutual respect, justice, reconciliation and peace. The

Harmony Centre will be the venue where the interreligious and intercultural dialogue encounters, meetings, workshops, trainings and other related activities will be conducted in the awareness that diversity enriches community.

The initial support for this work came from Fr Paul Glyn's Trust Foundation, and the development of the centre has since been supported by many others, including the GA.

## LÉON GAVET

In France, the family of Marist missionary Léon Gavet (1831-1909) has published the letters he had sent to his family while he was in Samoa: "Léon Gavet, Je vous écris des Samoa. Un demi-siècle de correspondance inédite 1858 – 1909 venues de la lointaine Océanie" by Mireille Dodart-de l'Hermuzière.

The correspondence presents in chronological order the letters in which he writes about his daily life, the events in France and in the world, the power struggles between the USA, England and Germany, and the local wars. Gavet describes also local customs, his initiatives to build churches and roads, his relationship with his colleagues and pupils. The 200 letters sent to his family were until now unpublished. They present a man of faith, an artist, a man of many initiatives. The book can be purchased here.



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