

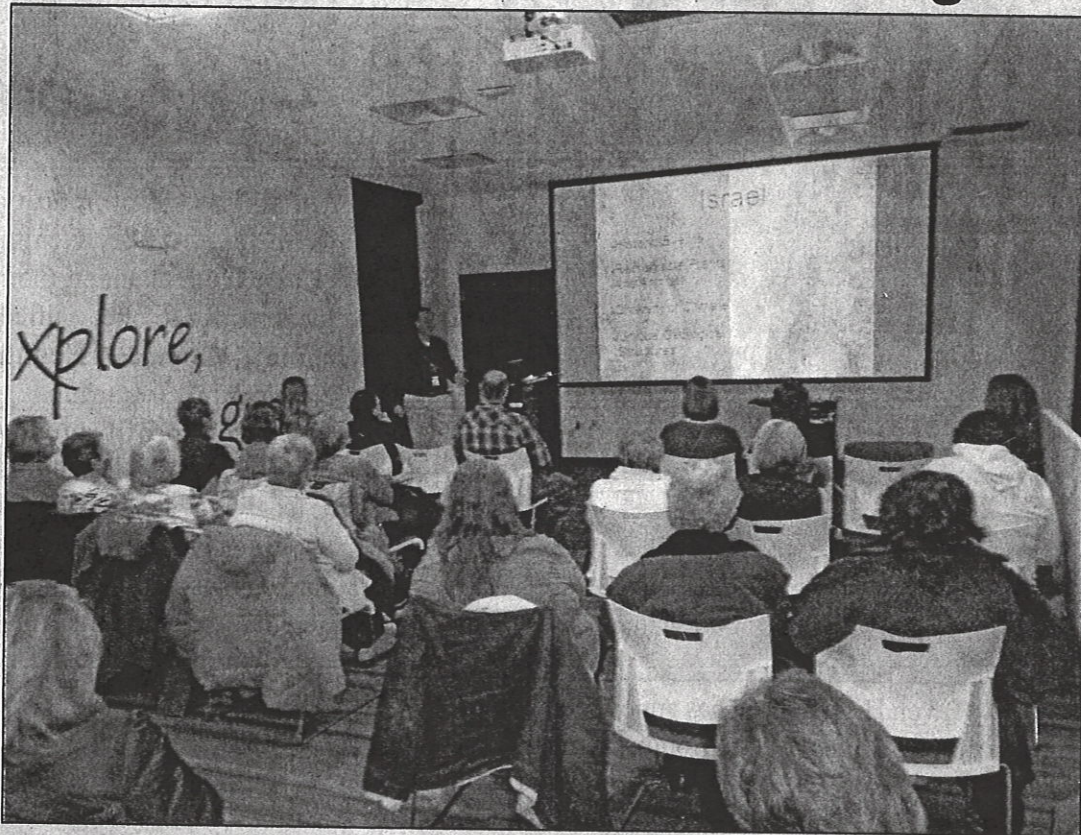


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New Haven Scenic Regional Library Held 'Plants Of The Bible' Program



Scenic Regional Library's New Haven branch had 24 attendees for the "Plants of the Bible" program held Thursday, January 10. Presenter, John Hensley, a St. Louis Master Gardener, covered nearly 25 different plants mentioned in the Bible. Accompanied by photos, Hensley's exploration of plants occurring in both the Old and New Testaments pointed to a number of plants which were probably misnamed due to translation errors, such

as wild marjoram which is referred to as hyssop. Hensley explained that descriptions of how such plants were used help botanists determine which plant is actually being represented. Other insights Hensley shared were connections plants tie Old Testament stories to New Testament ones. Hensley's presentation also included photos and maps depicting the plants discussed and where and when they occurred in what is now Israel and surrounding countries.