

## Moments of Beauty Week 2 - Beauty in Cultivated Gardens

Thursday, September 17



**Apple-picking with Young Adults 2019. Photo credits: Hannah Ewald & Kim La Rue**

“When the Lord brought back the captives to Zion, we were like men who dreamed. Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, ‘The Lord has done great things for them.’ The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like streams in the Negev. Those who sow in tears will reap with songs of joy. He who goes out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with him.”  
Psalm 126

This has been a hard year. All of us have struggled, lost things, felt scared, wondered what was next. But this is not the end of the story. We have friends and loved ones who care for us and we love them. We have God who will bring us back from our captivity. We have apples to pick and joy is just around the corner. Or maybe it is today! What brings you joy today? What joy can you offer to someone else?