



October 2025 Update

Thank you for journeying with us over the years as we explore different ways to make things, be creative and engage with others in the process. Here is an update of the past year and where we are currently.

2024

In 2024 we were very grateful to the team at Haselbury Plucknett Church as they welcomed us and hosted 'Make Together Families' once a month. It was a great space to continue the conversation of making with a message, Tim led a wooden activity and Jo Hunt ran the art activities which tied in with the theme and was suitable for families to make together, we would regularly have about 15 young families attend. Becca enjoyed running a couple of ladies crafts nights at the chapel too, willow weaving and lampshade making.



In 2024 we also began to experiment with taking the making on the road as we set up stands at various festivals and events, including Big Church Day Out, Upton Blues Festival, Bath and West Agricultural Show, New Wine, Abound and Creationfest. We ran wooden make and take workshops on the stands and also began to test out the interest for wood kits. We were thrilled with the first tutorial videos that Ryan made for us and used these in the first batch of wooden kits. We have had some lovely feedback from the kits. We also ran workshops at a local Boys Brigade making wooden spoons, whistles and flowers.



Other things we did in 2024 have included Tim supporting Becca with running some wooden workshops at the 'Cancer Connect' support group. We were invited to a christening, a party and some youth groups to run wood based activities. We were pleased to led some some cafe churches sessions at Vineyard church in Yeovil sharing the story of the 3 Trees and Jesus calling the first disciples. Somerton St Cleers invited us to share too, we led a short talk about hope, help and healing and gave a demo of how to make wooden flying helicopter. In 2024 we also completed a third and final year of mentoring from the Lions, which has helped shape our thinking of where to go with the idea of Make Together.



At the end of 2024, Becca, after over 5 years of running it, made the hard decision to leave the cancer support group service she set up for Yeovil Hospital. She has since been working full time clinically as a nurse for Day Surgery. The group continues under a new name away from the hospital, it is called Craft Thru' Cancer and is run as a peer led service every Friday morning at Johnsons Park in Yeovil, which is great to hear.

2025



WELL CRAFTED Craft Wellbeing Course

At the beginning of 2025 Becca was grateful for being given the opportunity to run a Well Crafted course for Yeovil Vineyard Church. The short 8 week wellbeing craft course was a lovely warm and welcomed start to 2025. As the group of ladies crafted they explored aspects of mental, social and spiritual wellbeing, concentrating specifically on self worth and confidence.

So far 2025 has been about getting the foundations right. Making sure Make Together is built with integrity and well. We have a clearer idea as to where to focus our time and gifting's and are prayerfully taking steps forwards with these. We felt it was right to put a pause on running our own Make Together events in 2025. However we enjoyed having a stand at the Kingsbury Episcopi May Fayre, Bath and West Show, New Wine Festival, Stock Gaylard Oak fayre and ran a workshop for PBC's Ringwood summer school. We also attended the Somerset Council playdates in Langport and Somerton. You can stay in touch if you follow our [@maketgether.uk](https://www.facebook.com/maketgether.uk) facebook, Instagram, TikTok socials or visit our website www.maketgether.uk this is a place to buy kits and tools but also in time a place to connect with others who have been making and hear about what other events and shows we will be attending.



Make and Message

Make Together is set up as a limited company, however the majority of what we do is charitable with us voluntary of our time. Our hope is that the sale of the kits and running workshops at shows and festivals can help substitute the more charitable aspects of making with a message. If people feel they would like to donate specifically towards the charitable aspects of what we do then thank you and we will be transparent with how that money has been spent.



Our heart is to be able to do more making, (particularly wood based) and use this as a tool to engage with others, adding a message to the making and bringing in aspects of the Christian faith when appropriate to do so. We have been approached to run more wood making workshops at schools, clubs and groups, we are just trying to navigate this alongside the building company and home extension.

Family life beyond Make Together

Tim continues to be working hard with his New Life Building Solutions company. **Becca** has just accepted a new nurse position in Yeovil Outpatients Unit starting in middle of November. As a family they are getting more involved with the Vineyard church in Yeovil. This summer we celebrated being married for 20 years! **Ellie** did really very well with her GCSE's after studying long and hard, she is now studying Maths, Biology and Product Design A levels at Huish Episcopi sixth form. She is playing the bass guitar and enjoys mixed netball. **Ben** has officially become a teenager, is growing tall but has plateaued for a while with size 12 feet, he is taller than Tim now. He is a kind, caring and clever chap, likes to design things, carve into wood.. **Barney** has lost his top front two teeth, is brilliantly catching up academically and is enjoying a new hobby of gymnastics and learning the piano, with a bit of Lego making on the side.



We would value your continued support and prayers as a family please.
Do drop us a line if you have any questions or encouraging thoughts.
Many thanks for taking the time to read this overdue update.

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