

Our Story

Wonderfully Made began, fittingly, with a conversation.

In the summer of 2022, Kitty and Kelly were getting to know one another on a trip when Kitty shared a burden that had been growing in her heart. Her nephew, Troy—a young man with intellectual disabilities—had aged out of high school and found himself suddenly alone. The structure, social life, and support of school had disappeared overnight. Like so many others, he sat at home with nowhere to go and few people to connect with. Kitty began noticing a pattern among friends and neighbors whose adult children faced the same quiet isolation.

A calling to make a difference emerged: what if there were a place where these adults could work, be seen, be celebrated? Kelly, a nonprofit executive with a passion for turning meaningful ideas into movements, heard Kitty's story and instantly saw the potential. She had spent her career building purpose-driven organizations and knew that with clarity and commitment, this calling could become something powerful. The two began exploring—visiting programs, learning from others, and even baking cookies in Kitty's kitchen with four adults with intellectual disabilities.

But over time, their vision shifted in a deeply important way. From an initial focus on creating a coffee shop, bakery or other retail outlet, they realized that what these adults—and their families—needed most wasn't just a job or a task. It was community.



Wonderfully Made is a place to belong. Somewhere to be known and loved. Where birthdays are celebrated, friendships are formed, and everyday moments are shared. A place where they could continue building on the skills they gained in school—reading, math, communication—and be encouraged to try new things, laugh with peers, and discover new joys in a safe, supportive environment.

The bakery, while meaningful, became secondary to the mission. It's a powerful activity within the program, offering vocational experience and a sense of contribution. But the heart of Wonderfully Made isn't cookies—it's connection. It's community.

In October 2023, they brought this refined vision to the leaders of Peachtree Church in Atlanta. They proposed transforming an old café space into a bakery hub that would anchor a new kind of church-based day program centered around belonging. The church gave an enthusiastic yes. Renovation began in 2024, and by September, the first Wonderfully Made Chapter, the Peachtree Church Chapter, launched with six Wonder Makers. In February 2025, the bakery officially opened and the program expanded to full days.

Wonderfully Made works because of how the gifts of its founders complement each other. Kitty brings operational excellence, deep empathy, and a God-given call to make space for those who are too often left out. Kelly brings strategic vision, nonprofit leadership, and a gift for inviting others into the story. And while neither had experience in special education or baking, God provided just the right person—Betsy Brown, a teacher and baker—who now leads the Peachtree Chapter with skill and grace.

Inspired to open a Wonderfully Made Chapter in your community? You need a heart that's been stirred, the faith to trust that God will provide, and the grit to build something beautiful. Community is the mission. Wonderfully Made is how we live it.