Adam Barcott (center), founding pastor of New City Church, helps children develop relationships in a gro

G iving of one's time to help others most often results in a fe

"Whether people attend our church or not, we want them to feel comfortable to serve with us," Barcott sa

Christ-centered and nondenominational, New City's services are designed to be interactive, combining r

Child care is provided during services for children from birth through fourth grade. Children are encourag

As a youth, Barcott learned how service can impact one's life.

"I was a counselor at summer camps while I was in high school," he said. "Helping the kids in the camp

After high school, Barcott received a bachelor's in history from The Master's College in Santa Clarita, Ca

"My time as a middle school teacher proved to be great preparation for becoming a pastor," Barcott said
After working as an associate pastor at a local church, Barcott and his wife, Val, embarked upon the hug

"We believe God uses service to accomplish extraordinary things," Barcott said. "When you serve with o

Barcott believes service to others produces a sense of gratification, but it also exposes people to the rea

"I don't think we are necessarily called to solve all the problems of the world, but I feel we are called to lo

Many people want to serve, but they either do not know where to go or feel they have nothing to offer.

"My dream is to help people realize that God has always served the world through normal people who a

Barcott stated that his benchmark of success is not to see how many members he can acquire, but how

"We want to lead people into a life of meaning and impact," he said.

Organizations that benefit from New City's volunteer efforts include the Women and Children's Division o

Val also is very involved in the operation of New City, taking responsibility for the website, finances and

"I could never do this without her," Barcott said. "I am the dreamer, and she is the logical, grounded one.

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