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FRONT COVER PHOTO – Pope Francis gave a private audience to the Mercedes-Benz delegation who delivered this all-electric “G580 with EQ technology” to the Vatican on December 4, 2024. The company reps flanking Pope Francis left-to-right in this photo include Mercedes-Benz Italia CEO Marc Langenbrinck; Ola Källenius, the Chairman of Mercedes-Benz Group AG’s Board of Management; Britta Seeger, Member of the Board of Management responsible for Sales and Marketing; and (Your Editor believes but can’t completely confirm) Mercedes-Benz Development Engineer Klaus Millerferli.

BACK COVER PHOTO – This “topless” high-angle view of the Vatican’s new all-electric Mercedes G-Class Popemobile highlights how its special, Sindelfingen craft-ed coachwork features a reverse-hinged starboard side rear door, a swiveling center seat, bright red carpeting, and rear entrance stairs flanked by bumper-mounted step plates for the Swiss Guard’s security personnel.

CENTERSTRETCH – PCS VP Sarah Snook took this photo of her 1/25-scale 1966 Miller-Meteor Cadillac ambulance with its Best-of-Show ribbon at the 2025 PCS Micro-Meet in Mt. Airy, Maryland. A Jo-Han kit was the basis for this great build Bill Vance of Rolling Prairie, Indiana gifted to Sarah in 2007, honoring in miniature the full-sized combination coach version Sarah bought from fellow Buckeye David “Captain Video” McCamey “in five shades of green” 24 years ago (April 13, 2001) and affectionately named “Patty Hearse” as she became “a little bank robber” during her restoration.

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