INTRODUCING...

Name: Paul Arntopouls
Age: 56
Church: Disciples Ministry Church in Minneapolis
Family status: married to Jeannine, with one daughter.
Occupation: Pastor
Other accomplishments: I’ve been involved in inner-city mission for 12 years now. We do the largest consistent food bag giveaway in the U.S. Also, we have street ministries that go out weekly for food giveaways. I gave away 8 million pounds of food last year.
Currently working on: I’m in the process of launching a jobs program. I’ll negotiate jobs for people, fix their lunch, give them clothes, and take them out to the job and back again. We’re getting people working. I’m working on 300 jobs now. I’ve got places for 300 people.
Favorite hymn: “The Old Rugged Cross”
A book I'd recommend: I haven't been doing a whole lot of reading lately. My Bible is my favorite.
I'm excited about: my jobs program, not only feeding people but putting them to work and seeing their joy at having a job and being an accomplished citizen.
I became a Christian: in 1972 when God took me. He came to save me. I can’t take credit for saying I decided I wanted to be a Christian. The things I went through were designed to bring me to Him.
I don't think I'll ever tire of doing this mission work. It's something I don't always like, but I love it.
I wish I could: increase what I'm doing. I wish I had funds to do what I really need to do.
I wish Christians would: call us at 212-4695, and help support my mission.
To blow off steam and relax: I like to work, so I do some other type of work. And lately I've taken up golf.
My favorite verse is: The passage in Matthew 25:31-46, where Christ asks “Where were you when I was sick, and hungry, and naked…”

New York, N.Y. (EP) — If the theme song from NBC's new program “Sister Kate” has a familiar sound, listen closely to the singer. It’s none other than contemporary Christian music’s Amy Grant. “Sister Kate” is a situation comedy set in a Catholic-run orphanage.

Graham gets star on Walk of Fame
Hollywood, Calif. (EP) — Evangelist Billy Graham received the 1500th star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame in a special ceremony in front of Mann’s Chinese Theatre on Hollywood Boulevard Oct. 15. Graham is the first clergyman to be honored for his preaching ministry through radio, television and film.

In a 30 minute address, Graham said, “My primary desire today in having my name inscribed on this Walk of Fame is that God would receive the glory and that it would be a witness for Christ. There is a subtle but profound difference in erecting a memorial to a man and leaving behind a marker for the glory of God. This marker is left behind for the glory of God.”

Graham’s star is between that of actress Judy Holliday and Italian opera singer Beniamino Gigli. Another clergyman, the Rev. James Cleveland, received a star in 1981 for his gospel music recordings.

BITS ‘N’ PIECES

Los Angeles, Calif. (EP) — Press reports say that “Run” of the rap group Run-DMC has become a Christian. “I’ve always been seeking God since my day of birth,” said Run, who reportedly was saved after viewing Robert Hiltan’s “Success in Life” television show.

Cardiff by the Sea, Calif. (EP) — Published rumors about drunkenness and womanizing by members of the Christian rock band Stryper are false, according to Media Update, the magazine of Menconi Ministries. Janis Sweet, mother of band members Robert and Michael Sweet, says that a false story concerning improper behavior by Stryper members while on tour in Japan is being spread by members of the metal group White Lion. Though the rumor says that Robert Sweet left a party very drunk, and in the company of two girls. Janis Sweet says her son was never drunk, and that the only girl he was seen with was in the company of several of the band’s roadies who were leading her to Christ.