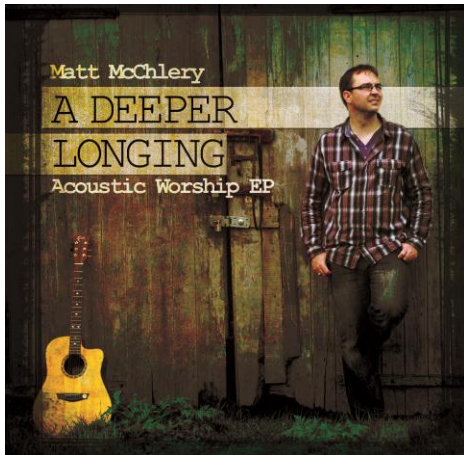


PRESS RELEASE – A Deeper Longing EP



In January of 2011 Matt McChlery was invited to perform two of his songs as part of the UKCMC television show that was broadcast on UCB TV in the UK in July / August 2011, Dove TV in America and a variety of other syndicated channels around the world later that year.

This prompted Matt to get back into the studio to record some new material for the show. As some band members were not available on the date of the TV recording, Matt decided to record an acoustic sound that would fit best with the available musicians whereby the sound would match the pictures on the TV show. So in early 2011, Matt went along to his local recording studios, Grange Farm Studio, that is just down the road to record the acoustic worship 5-track EP with members from his local church band (The King's Church, Wisbech).

So the recording of 'A Deeper Longing' was underway. Each song is tried-and-tested with a congregation and they all contain an undercurrent of yearning and hunger for more of God's presence, so the title of the EP 'A Deeper Longing' expresses this well.

Track 1 - 'Desperate We Are For You'

Kicking off the EP is a raw and heart-felt song that explicitly evokes the title of the whole project: a deeper longing and yearning for more of the spirit, power and love of God in one's life. It sets the stage and begins the journey that the EP takes the listener on. The haunting sound of the flute helps to carry the melodic hook.

Track 2 – 'You Alone'

This song's primary composer is Ryan Baker-Barnes from Revival Fires Church in Dudley. Matt helped him and Sharon Baker to complete it during a weekend of co-writing. This song is an outpouring of worship and declares that God is the One True God and highlights various aspects of God's character that prove this claim. (This is one of the songs sung on the UKCMC TV programme).

Track 3 – 'God Of The Outcast'

Recently a lot of emphasis has been put on how the church needs to engage more with social justice within their local communities as well as abroad. Matt has added to the growing lexicon of worship songs that explore this issue with this song. It also emphasises that as believers, we are God's hands

Musicians Featured on this EP

Matt McChlery

lead vocals, acoustic guitar,
banjo, glockenspiel, cajon drum,
percussion

Jane Gathercole

backing vocals, acoustic guitar

Dave Nurney

acoustic bass guitar

Isi Clarke

acoustic bass guitar

Mike Forrest

piano

Becky Smith

flute

Free Chord Chart Download

As the songs are intended for congregational worship, Matt has made the chord charts for the songs on this EP, as well as many more he has written, freely available on his website

www.mattmcchlery.com

so anyone in any church can print off the chords and lyrics and start singing them in their churches right away!

and feet and we need to be involved as part of the answer to the problems around us. Jane Gathercole added some exquisite backing vocals to this track.

Track 4 – ‘Wonderful Counsellor’

There are a myriad of worship songs to or about God and Jesus, but the person of The Holy Spirit is often overlooked. Matt saw this as an opportunity so he set about writing a song specifically and exclusively about The Holy Spirit. However, he decided to write a song that describes The Holy Spirit without explicitly mentioning His name. The descriptions are designed to evoke thought and to lead the congregation into discovering who the song is about for themselves. An air of mystery and majesty is successfully maintained.

Track 5 – ‘Essence Of All Purity’

There are not many modern worship songs expressly about the Trinity. This inspired Matt to write a song that does just that. In each verse one person of the Trinity is described (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) which leads to worship of the Trinity as a whole in the chorus. Adopting a hymn-like feel to help suit the subject matter, this song makes the heart soar and the mind engage with the mystery that is The Holy Trinity.

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