

Hey, this month I'd like to tell you about something that is very special to me—my first solo album!

Working on "The Partridge Family" albums has always been fun, but there was something extra special about doing an album all by myself—with the help of my producer, Wes Farrell, of course.

For one thing I got to choose each and every song all by myself and I could do some kinds of different things with this album that I could never do on the group albums.

The title song is "Cherish," which was written by a guy named Terry Kirkman, who was in a great group called the Association back in the '60's. I've always liked the words to this song. It kind of expresses the way I hope to feel about one special girl someday. It must be nice to cherish someone like that, and maybe even be cherished like that.

Also in the LP is my new single, "Could It Be Forever." Wes wrote this song for me and I just love it. I know I'm going to love performing it live too.

Wes wrote a lot of the songs, including another one called "I just Wanna Make You Happy." He coauthored that one with Bobby Hart of Boyce & Hart. It, too, expresses some feelings that are very real to me.

There are a couple of kind of sad tunes too. "I Lost My Chance" and one with the long title of "We Could Never Be Friends ('Cause We've Been Lovers Too Long)" are both about some of the frustrations you encounter when you love someone. The other songs are "Being Together," "Blind Hope," "My First Night Alone With You," "Where Is The Morning," "I Am A Clown" and one called "Ricky's Tune," which I wrote.

The whole thing is titled "Cherish" and I hope you like it. The songs are all songs I chose because they express things that I believe in. It's kind of like a personal message from me to you.

Wes and I had some pretty hectic times recording this album, fitting in recording sessions between the filming schedule for the TV show and my concerts. There were a lot of late nights and sometimes it seemed like we worked on one song forever. The whole album was recorded in Los Angeles just before I left for Europe. It was a nice feeling to go off on my first real vacation in two years knowing it was all finished and would be pressed and in the stores by the time I got back.

The coming year should be pretty hectic for me. I'll be filming The Partridge Family, recording more albums by myself, as well as with the Partridge Family, and doing weekend concerts across the United States. Hope you enjoy "Cherish" and hope to see you in person at one of my concerts this year. Till then,

Love ya, David

