

Mp3 Cliff Erickson - The Spirit Of Christmas



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Easy Listening-Acoustic and Vocal 12 MP3 Songs EASY LISTENING: Soft Rock, GOSPEL: Traditional Gospel Details: For more than 30 years, Cliff has had a sustaining entertaining career. Cliff has traveled as a solo performer from his hometown of Port Huron, Michigan to venues all over the world. Though his home base is the Detroit, Michigan area, Cliff has entertained on Cruise Ships in the Greek Isles and currently performs at universities, clubs and conventions across the United States and Canada. His charismatic stage presence sets him apart from other performers and his ability to capture an audience has been a welcome addition to the performances of headliners such as Ringo Starr, Kenny Rogers, Jim Carrey and the Beach Boys, among others. Cliff has received acclaim not only from his fans, but has received the award of "Consummate Entertainer of the Year" by Orbit Magazine and The Vietnam Veterans Appreciation Award. Cliff has two albums released by Accurate Records, and just finished his Christmas CD. His first album, Rendezvous, was released in 1992, and features 10 songs. The songs feature emotional lyrics with a sweet, melodic melody in acoustic guitar. His second album, Acquired Taste, features 11 songs which have a southern flair, ranging from the ballad to dance song. Once again, Cliff's lyrics tug at the heartstrings, and the melody sweeps you away. Indeed, the story of Cliff's career may be simple, but the complexities of this musician can only be heard through his guitar and the lyrics of his song. ***** THE FOLLOWING IS A

LETTER CLIFF ERICKSON SENT ABOUT HIS NEW CHRISTMAS CD TO THE PEOPLE ON HIS MAILING LIST AT WWW.CLIFFERICKSON.COM

***** Hi Everyone. Usually, I send you quick announcement about what's happening, but this time I have a story, a Christmas story. About twelve years ago, late at night, I was practicing Christmas songs for my church and decided to press the

record button on a small recorder next to me. Five years later, I discovered that old tape and thought "This isn't bad!" I then made personal copies as gifts for friends and family during the holidays only to receive surprising positive reviews from people I least expected. I added two songs to the original nine and tried to match them to that sound captured twelve years ago during that 3 a. m. session. I realized that it was the spirit of that recording that needed to be duplicated. It wasn't easy. So last year, I was thinking of professionally packaging this CD and giving the proceeds to charity, when I walked into a department store before Thanksgiving and they were already playing Christmas music! I decided to wait. Then a friend suggested that I include an original song as a way of making this CD different from the rest. Now my challenge was to write a Christmas song that sounded traditional and blended with the rest. So I wrote a song called "A Child Is Born". I think people will be scratching their heads wondering if this is a new song or three hundred years old. It was difficult writing a Christmas song in April. I finished it the day Pope John Paul was buried. He was my inspiration. Last month, I asked my friend Father Fredrick Bodde for a charity he would recommend and he suggested the Salvation Army. Then came Hurricane Katrina. Now I'm on a mission to sell a thousand Christmas CD's called " The Spirit of Christmas" with all proceeds going to the victims of Hurricane Katrina. I will be selling them at my gigs for \$10 from now until Christmas. If any of you can give me some ideas for marketing, contacting radio and TV stations, personal appearances etc. I would appreciate it. This effort truly would reflect the title of the CD.....The Spirit of Christmas. Cliff

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