

PROSPERITY BANCSHARES INC
Form 8-K
January 22, 2010

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 22, 2010

PROSPERITY BANCSHARES, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-25051 (Commission File Number)	74-2331986 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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4295 San Felipe
Houston, Texas 77027
(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (281) 269-7199

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 22, 2010, Prosperity Bancshares, Inc. publicly disseminated a press release announcing its financial results for the fourth quarter and year ending December 31, 2009. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

In addition to financial results determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), the press release also contains financial information determined by methods other than in accordance with GAAP. Specifically, Prosperity reviews tangible book value per share, return on average tangible common equity and the tangible equity to tangible assets ratio for internal planning and forecasting purposes. Prosperity also reviews its net income, earnings per share, non-interest expense and related performance ratios for the twelve month period ended December 31, 2008 excluding the non-recurring impairment charge on Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac perpetual preferred securities. Prosperity's management believes these non-GAAP financial measures, together with the accompanying reconciliations, provide information useful to investors in understanding Prosperity's financial results, provide a more complete understanding of factors and trends affecting Prosperity's business and allow investors to view performance in a manner similar to management, the entire financial services sector, bank stock analysts and bank regulators. Further, Prosperity believes that these non-GAAP measures provide useful information by excluding certain items that may not be indicative of its core operating earnings and business outlook.

As provided in General Instruction B.2 to Form 8-K, the information furnished in Item 2.02 and Exhibit 99.1 of this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and such information shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following is furnished as an exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press Release issued by Prosperity Bancshares, Inc. dated January 22, 2010.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PROSPERITY BANCSHARES, INC.
(Registrant)

Dated: January 22, 2010

By: /s/ James D. Rollins III
James D. Rollins III
President and Chief Operating
Officer

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