COOPERATIVE BANKSHARES INC Form 8-K January 25, 2005

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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 25, 2005

COOPERATIVE BANKSHARES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

NORTH CAROLINA (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-24626 (Commission File Number) 56-1886527 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

201 MARKET STREET, WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA 28401

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (910) 343-0181

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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:

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 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 25, 2005, Cooperative Bankshares, Inc. issued a press release announcing its unaudited financial results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2004. A copy of the press release is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. Also attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.2, and incorporated herein by reference, is additional financial information for the period.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OTHER EXHIBITS

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated January 25, 2005 Exhibit 99.2 Supplemental Financial Information

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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.

COOPERATIVE BANKSHARES, INC.

/s/ Todd L. Sammons

Todd L. Sammons Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 25, 2005

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DESCRIPTION

99.1 99.2 Press Release dated January 25, 2005 Additional Financial Information

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