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RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC Form 8-K December 08, 2005

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

December 1, 2005

Date of report (date of earliest event reported)

Raymond James Financial, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Florida

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-9109

59-1517485

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

880 Carillon Parkway St. Petersburg, FL 33702

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(727) 567-1000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

On December 1, 2005 the Company's Board of Directors approved a change in the Company's fiscal year from the last Friday in September of each year to September 30 of each year. Quarterly reporting periods will also end on the last calendar day of each quarter.

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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.

RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL, INC.

Date: December 8, 2005 By: /s/ Thomas A. James

Thomas A. James

Chairman and Chief Executive

Officer

By: /s/ Jeffrey P. Julien

Jeffrey P. Julien

Senior Vice President - Finance and Chief Financial Officer