

PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS INC  
Form 8-K  
September 07, 2006

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

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**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): September 7, 2006

, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Tennessee  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

000-31225  
(Commission  
File Number)

62-1812853  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

211 Commerce Street, Suite 300, Nashville, Tennessee  
(Address of principal executive offices)

37201  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (615) 744-3700

N/A

(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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off- Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.**

On September 7, 2006, PNFP Statutory Trust III (“PNFP Trust”), a Delaware statutory trust subsidiary of Pinnacle Financial Partners, Inc. (the “Company”), issued \$20,000,000 of its trust preferred securities to institutional investors. PNFP Trust purchased \$20,619,000 of the Company’s Junior Subordinated Debt Securities due September 30, 2036 (the “Subordinated Debentures”) and the Company guaranteed, pursuant to a guarantee agreement, payment obligations of PNFP Trust under the trust preferred securities. Proceeds of the issuance will provide additional capital to Pinnacle National Bank. The Subordinated Debentures (and PNFP Trust’s trust preferred securities) will be payable in 2036 and will bear interest at a rate of 7.04% until September 30, 2006 and thereafter at a floating rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus 1.65% payable quarterly. The Company may generally defer the payment of interest at any time for a period up to twenty consecutive quarters provided the deferral period does not extend past the stated maturity. Except upon the occurrence of certain events resulting in a change in the capital treatment or tax treatment of the Subordinated Debentures or resulting in PNFP Trust being deemed to be an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Company may not redeem the Subordinated Debentures until after September 30, 2011.

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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.

PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC.

By: /s/ Harold R. Carpenter  
Harold R. Carpenter  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 7, 2006