

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
March 11, 2009

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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### FORM 8-K

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#### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) December 9, 2008

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## Lakeland Financial Corporation

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Indiana**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
Of incorporation)

**0-11487**  
(Commission File Number)

**35-1559596**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

202 East Center Street, P.O. Box 1387, Warsaw, Indiana 46581-1387

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(574) 267-6144

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**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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- 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))



**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers**

On December 9, 2008, Allan J. Ludwig retired from the Board of Directors of Lakeland Financial Corporation pursuant to the corporate policy adopted by the Board of Directors requiring the resignation of directors upon reaching the age of 70.

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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.

**LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION**

Dated: March 11, 2009  
David M. Findlay

By: /s/David M. Findlay

Chief Financial Officer