COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/
Form 8-K
October 14, 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): October 14, 2010

Commerce Bancshares, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Missouri	0-2989	43-0889454
(State of Incorporation)	**(Commission File Number)**	**(IRS Employer Identification No.)**
1000 Walnut, Kansas City, MO		64106
(Address of principal executive offices)		**(Zip Code)**

(816) 234-2000
(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)
(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:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibit, is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section. Furthermore, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibit, shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of Commerce Bancshares, Inc. under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

A copy of the press release issued October 14, 2010 by Commerce Bancshares, Inc. announcing Third Quarter 2010 earnings is furnished under Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

All information included in this Current Report on Form 8-K is available on the Company s Internet site at http://www.commercebank.com.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated October 14, 2010

SIGNATURE

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.

COMMERCE BANCSHARES, INC.

By: /s/ Jeffery D. Aberdeen
Jeffery D. Aberdeen
Controller
(Chief Accounting Officer)

Date: October 14, 2010

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press release dated October 14, 2010