

FBL FINANCIAL GROUP INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Sebastian David Thompson

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FBL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [FFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 5400 UNIVERSITY AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/17/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP-Sales & Business

WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock	01/17/2005		A	1,328 A \$ 0	1,328	D	
Class A Common Stock					216.95	I	by Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.35	01/17/2005		A	4,030	01/17/2006 ⁽¹⁾ 01/17/2015	Class A Common Stock	4,030

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sebastian David Thompson 5400 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266			VP-Sales & Business	

Signatures

By: Robert Simons, per filed confirming stmt For: David Sebastian 01/19/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares become exercisable annually, beginning one year from the date of grant, pro-rata during a five year period, subject to compliance with annual dollar limits for incentive stock option grants.

Remarks:

Reporting person holds 216.95 shares in a company sponsored 401(k) Plan. Ownership form is Indirect and the nature of the i
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