## OATMEAL APPLESAUCE BARS

## **Ingredients:**

- 1 Cup Butter
- 1 Cup Brown Sugar
- 2 Cups Flour
- 1½ Teaspoons Cinnamon
- ¼ Teaspoon Nutmeg
- 1.5 Cup Oats (preferably old fashioned/rolled)
- 2 Cups Applesauce
- 1 Teaspoon Ground Cinnamon
- 1 Cup Chocolate Chips Optional

## **Directions:**

- 1.Cut your butter into cubes and place in a bowl along with the flour and brown sugar. Using a <u>dough cutter</u> cut and combine (You could also use a food processor)
- 2. Add cinnamon and oats until combined
- 3. Preheat oven to 325° F and spray a 9x13 baking dish. (Or coat with Lard like I do)
- 4. Place half of the oat mixture into the prepared baking dish and press down with your hands
- 5. In a small bowl mix the applesauce and cinnamon and pour the filling on top of the oat mixture and smooth out.
- 6. Sprinkle the chocolate chips if you are using
- 7. Sprinkle remaining oat mixture over applesauce
- 8. Bake in preheated oven for 40-45 minutes
- 9. Allow bars to full cool before slicing into bars



