**Friendship Soup Mix**

Ingredients:

1/2 cup dry split peas

1/3 cup beef bouillon powder

1/4 cup pearl barley

1/2 cup dry lentils

1/4 cup dried onion flakes

2 tsp dried Italian seasoning

1/4 cup uncooked long grain white rice

2 bay leaves

Ingredients to add:

1 pound ground beef

Black pepper, to taste

Garlic powder, to taste

1 (14.5 ounce) can diced tomatoes, undrained

1 (8 ounce) cans tomato sauce

3 quarts of water

Method:

In a 1 ½ pint jar, layer the split peas, bouillon, barley, lentils, onion flakes, Italian seasoning, rice, and bay leaves. Wrap the pasta in a plastic bag and place in the jar. Seal tightly.

To prepare the soup:

1. In a large pot, over medium heat, brown ground beef with pepper and garlic powder. Drain excess fat.
2. Add diced tomatoes, tomato sauce, water, and soup mix. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to low. Cover, and simmer for 60 minutes until peas, lentils, and barley are tender.