Make Ahead French Toast (Submitted by B'Anne Younkers)

5 eggs, lightly beaten 1/2 cup butter, melted

1 1/2 cup milk

1 cup light brown sugar

1 cup half and half cream

2 Tbl spoons maple syrup

1 tsp. vanilla extract

1 cup chopped pecans

8 slices French bread, cut into 1 in. cubes

In a large bowl, whisk together eggs, milk, cream and vanilla. Dip bread cubes into egg mixture and place in a lightly greased metal 9×13 baking pan. Pour any remaining egg mixture over all. Refrigerate overnight.

The next morning preheat oven to 350 degrees F. In a small bowl, combine butter sugar, maple syrup and pecans. Spoon mixture over bread cubes. Bake in preheated oven until golden, about 40 minutes. Let stand 5 minutes before serving. Serve with or without more syrup.

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