

ANAK KRAKATAU ERUPTS VOLCANO RUMBLES AGAIN IN INDONESIA

*A powerful eruption reminds us of the force within
God's creation and the need to pray for those affected.*

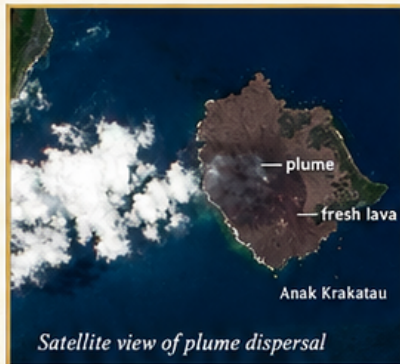
In early September 2026, Anak Krakatau in Indonesia produced a powerful eruption lasting more than 24 hours. NASA Earth Observatory reported that ash and volcanic gases were lofted high into the atmosphere, disrupting thousands of flights and degrading air quality. Indonesia's meteorological agency reported ash reaching up to 6,000 meters to the east of the volcano and 15,000 meters to the west. Temporary closures of eight airports on Java and Sumatra disrupted nearly 3,000 flights. By September 6, the most explosive phase had subsided, but the volcano remained active and at the second-highest alert level.



Anak Krakatau eruption
Indonesia • September 2026



Intermittent Strombolian activity



Satellite view of plume dispersal

KEY FACTS

- **Location:** Sunda Strait, between Java and Sumatra, Indonesia
- **Main activity:** early September 2026
- **Explosive phase:** more than 24 hours
- **Ash altitude:** up to 6,000 m east and 15,000 m west
- **Travel impact:** 8 airports temporarily closed
- **Flights affected:** nearly 3,000
- **Ongoing status:** second-highest alert level

WHY IT MATTERS

Eruptions like this affect travel, air quality, and the daily lives of nearby communities. They remind us that our earth is active, powerful, and beautifully complex. As we see the forces of nature on display, we are also reminded that all creation is under God's sovereignty. These events call us to pray for those affected, to care for others, and to have a deeper reverence for the Creator who holds all things in His hands.



SCRIPTURE

Psalm 104:32

*He looketh on the earth, and
it trembleth: he toucheth the hills,
and they smoke.*

Psalm 95:4-5

*In his hand are the deep places
of the earth: the strength of the hills
is his also. The sea is his,
and he made it.*

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PRAYER

Lord, we lift up the people of Indonesia and all who are affected by this eruption. Protect them from danger, provide for their needs, and give peace in the midst of uncertainty. Grant wisdom to leaders, emergency responders, and all who are working to keep people safe. Use this event to turn hearts to a deeper awareness of Your greatness, and help us all to live with reverence for You, the Creator of heaven and earth.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

