



# Horace James

An ardent abolitionist, James, a Union army chaplain, arrived on Roanoke Island, North Carolina in February 1862 and was soon appointed to manage escaped slaves. James tirelessly raised funds and acquired building materials and land for, and designed, the Freedmen's Colony on Roanoke Island. Under James, the colony became a model for other Freedmen communities.

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