

My blurb – you can include as much or as little of this as you choose!

Paula Gooder is a freelance writer and lecturer in Biblical Studies.

After studying in Oxford, she spent 12 years in theological education (first at Ripon College Cuddesdon and that at the Queen's Foundation for Ecumenical Theological education, Birmingham, before making the move to freelance work.

Her research areas include the writings of Paul, with a particular emphasis on 2 Corinthians and Mysticism, Biblical Interpretation and the Development of Ministry in the Early Church.

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She lives in Birmingham with her husband Peter and two daughters Susie and Ruth.

Fees

My usual fees are £300 per day (and pro rata, i.e. £150 for ½ day or evening; £50 per hour),

If, for multiple day events, this proves to be too much, I am happy to offer a discounted rate of £200 per day.